

Final BULLETINS

Russians Capture Kotelnikovski

MOSCOW (CP)—The Russians tonight announced Soviet forces had captured Kotelnikovski, key rail centre 90 miles southwest of Stalingrad.

A special communique said the town and railway station both were occupied and large amounts of equipment captured, including 17 German planes and a convoy of tanks.

Mainland Dimout

VANCOUVER (CP)—Dimout regulations effective Feb. 1 in Vancouver and other lower mainland municipalities provide that window shades in all buildings shall be as low as any light source inside, the Provincial Civilian Protection Committee said today.

Gen. de Gaulle To Visit Washington

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt confirmed this afternoon reports that Gen. Charles de Gaulle, Fighting French chief in London, will soon come to the United States.

Salmon Seized

MONTREAL (CP)—R.C.M.P. announced today the seizure near the Canada-U.S. border of two trucks laden with 16,480 pounds of salmon which they said was being illegally exported to the U.S.

They added that authorization had been received from Ottawa to proceed by summons against two fish companies here which owned the salmon, bought originally on the Pacific coast.

French Cut Road In Tunisia

FRENCH ARMY ADVANCE HEADQUARTERS, Tunisia (AP)—French forces cut an important road after a fierce dawn battle in a drive, backed by Allied tanks and planes, through the central Tunisian hills south of Pont du Fahs, it was announced tonight.

The French said the area had been cleared of the enemy and credited a picturesque detachment of Foreign Legion men with a prominent part in the fighting.

Denies Gov't. Control

CALGARY (CP)—Rev. Dr. J. S. Thomson, president of the CBC, said in an interview here today it was "utterly ridiculous" to suggest there was government control in operation of the CBC and declared "we are responsible only to the public of Canada, who pay \$2.50 per radio set."

Withhold Potatoes

VANCOUVER (CP)—Les Gilmore, chairman of the Coast Vegetable Marketing Board, said this afternoon interior and coast potato growers are in accord with regard to withholding supplies from market and are working together toward settlement of the dispute stemming from a price ceiling recently imposed by the Prices Board.

2 Lie Near Death

OTTAWA (CP)—Fear that the toll of last Sunday night's Canadian Pacific Railway wreck at Almonte station may mount above the present figure of 36 dead was expressed by hospital authorities this afternoon.

Hospital attendants said two of the 23 wreck patients in Ottawa's Civic Hospital are given only the barest chance to survive. A number of others were listed in critical condition.

3rd Fire Death

ST. BONIFACE, Man. (CP)—Miss Louise Harbord of Winnipeg died this afternoon, third victim of a fire in the Joy Memorial nursing home in suburban St. Vital last Tuesday.

19,300,000 Needed

WASHINGTON (AP)—Paul McNutt, war manpower commissioner, revised from 20,500,000 to 19,300,000 today his estimate of the number of persons who will be needed in U.S. war industry by the end of next year.

Allied Troops Quit Position On Tunisia Hill

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States War Department reported today that Allied troops had withdrawn from a hill position six miles northeast of Medjez-el-Bab in Tunisia after inflicting severe casualties on the enemy.

The communique gave no further details on the action at the hill, which was the scene of heavy fighting Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

It reported patrol activity in the northern area during the night of Dec. 27-28 and shelling of each other's positions by both sides.

Widespread aerial activity, most of which had been reported previously directly from Allied headquarters in north Africa, also was announced.

Allied Planes Smash 21 Trucks

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA (AP)—Twin-engine P-38 Lightning fighters, driving far into enemy territory, destroyed 21 German trucks in a motor convoy between Ez Zaula, 30 miles west of Tripoli, and Medenine.

Medenine is about 70 miles in Tunisia from the Libyan border, and about 50 miles southeast of the port of Gabes.

A spokesman said two-thirds of the vehicles in a long line of loaded trucks moving troops, gasoline and supplies westward toward the Tunisian front, were left in flames by the sudden onslaught of the speedy Lightnings.

A second group of P-38s was reported to have shot up eight enemy trucks, 11 miles north of Pont du Fahs, where Allied air support has been an important factor in the gains of French ground troops. Pont du Fahs is 30 miles south of the Axis stronghold of Tunisia.

In the same area R.A.F. Spitfires attacked six Junkers 88s and six Messerschmitt 109 fighters, destroying two Junkers and one Messerschmitt against the loss of a single Spitfire. A group of P-38s engaged 10 Messerschmitt 109s, and damaged two of them.

The exploit of the P-38s in smashing home their surprise attacks on important German supply routes deep behind the Tunisian front marked the actual achievement of a long-sought aim of the Allied forces—an overwhelming aerial onslaught by R.A.F. and American bombers and fighters of both the Middle Eastern and the French African commands.

Military Showdown May Be Approaching

LONDON (CP)—Sharp clashes by Allied patrols probing Axis positions and continued air assaults on enemy bases indicated today the hour might be approaching for a military showdown in Tunisia, while politically there were increasing signs of growing unity among the anti-Axis French elements in north Africa and London.

Torrential rains which have held up any large-scale actions in Tunisia are reported to be easing, but the ground still is slippery and muddy.

British Submarines Bag Axis Ships

LONDON (CP)—British submarines have sunk at least two more Axis supply ships in the Mediterranean and have probably destroyed two others, the Admiralty announced today.

Three of the enemy ships were hit in the Gulf of Hammamet, on the east coast of Tunisia. The communique said a small supply ship loaded with gasoline and another cargo ship were sunk and a tanker was torpedoed and beached.

Another British submarine striking along the Italian coast near Naples, was reported to have attacked and probably sunk a medium-sized, laden enemy supply vessel.

Mrs. Churchill on Air

LONDON (CP)—The BBC announced today that Mrs. Winston Churchill would broadcast to north America on behalf of the Aid to Russia Fund at 4.15 p.m., E.D.T., New Year's Day.

De Gaulle, Giraud Work Together For French Unity

WASHINGTON (AP)—Members of a mission sent to the United States by Gen. Henri Giraud, new High Commissioner of French North Africa, were received by President Roosevelt today and declared afterward that both Gen. Giraud and Gen. Charles de Gaulle had the same idea of French unity and of subordinating everything to the task of conquering Germany.

The mission is comprised of Gen. M. E. Bethouart and a civilian, L. Dubreuil.

They said they expected to be here for some time, with headquarters at the War Department.

All Now Get Butter

OTTAWA (CP)—Butter rationing imposed Dec. 21 has been effective in making supplies available to all areas where shortages had been experienced, food administration officials said today.

"Nearly everyone is obtaining butter, and I feel sure that if there were any large number who could not obtain adequate supplies, we would be hearing about them," said J. Gordon Taggart, food administrator for the Prices Board.

4 Escape As Ferry Smashes Launch Here

Harold Lewis, owner of the boat, and three others, had a narrow escape at 7.15 a.m. today when the launch Harold L. was crushed in the Inner Harbor by Ss. Princess Victoria.

Lewis's dog was the only casualty.

The accident occurred when the Princess Victoria, while tying up at the C.P.R. dock, was caught in a squall and carried across the harbor.

Moored at the Puget Sound Navigation Company's ferry wharf, the Harold L. was crushed and sank. The four occupants miraculously managed to get ashore and, suffering from shock, but otherwise uninjured, were taken care of aboard a fishpacker anchored nearby.

Parliament Buildings To Be Open Saturday

Saturday Jan. 2, is not a statutory holiday and the Parliament Buildings will be open as usual, Acting Premier R. L. Maitland said today following a meeting of the cabinet.

The City Hall will follow the same course, it was learned from the mayor's office.

Stores in the city may follow their own courses. Some will close their doors Thursday night and open again Monday morning. Others will resume business on Saturday. Wednesday afternoon will be observed as the regular midweek holiday.

A Cheer and Four Tigers



That's the Christmas package for the Zoo colony at San Francisco. Mama Tiger brought five cute cubs into the world on Christmas day, but refused to feed them. One of the quintet died, so keepers put the other youngsters on a bottled milk diet.

British Forces Near Rathedaung In Burma Drive

NEW DELHI (CP)—Advance elements of British forces pushing into western Burma have reached the vicinity of Rathedaung, approximately 25 miles northwest of Akyab, a British communique said today.

Rathedaung, seven miles inland from the Bay of Bengal coast, is approximately 20 miles south of Aithang-Yow, which British troops were reported to have reached a week ago.

The announcement said British patrols had encountered Japanese troops in the vicinity of Rathedaung on the night of Dec. 27, and the enemy had retired after an exchange of fire.

The bulletin also disclosed the R.A.F. had twice attacked the important Japanese airdrome at Magwe Monday in a follow-up to a heavy aerial assault on the same objective Monday. Magwe is about 120 miles east of Akyab.

The first of these attacks was made by a formation of Blenheim bombers, which were reported to have dropped bombs on a runway and among aircraft on the ground. Hurricane fighters then shot up the airdrome in a low-level assault.

Hurricanes also were reported to have severely damaged a Japanese river steamship on the Irrawaddy.

Loss of one fighter in these operations was announced.

The Paris German-controlled radio quoted Bangkok reports that other British troops had reached the Chinmyin River valley in another push through the Chin hills of Burma to the north. This was not confirmed, but the British communique Saturday told of repulsing Japanese counterattacks on positions recently taken by British forces.

Liquor Sales Here Reported Slackening

Opinion liquor purchasing has slackened off since the pre-Christmas rush was expressed by W. F. Kennedy, commissioner, today.

Figures on sales during the Christmas period would not be available for some time, he indicated. Observers close to the vendors' stores expressed the view the total turnover would be approximately the same as last year, although the volume the day before Christmas would be down.

One or two persons were waiting for stores to open at 10 today, but Monday's buying was reported normal. A heavy run was expected tomorrow morning with Wednesday being observed as the usual half-holiday.

Mr. Kennedy will leave Saturday for Toronto to attend a conference of provincial liquor commissioners Jan. 7 at which plans for creating greater uniformity in liquor regulations will be studied.

Stern Resistance



Anti-aircraft fire from the plane carrier whose stern is seen in this photo brackets an incoming Jap bomber, forces him to bank sharply and depart without dropping his bombs. The carrier's crew members flop to the deck seeking cover. Meanwhile gun at lower left blazes away at another Jap target. No American vessels received more than slight damage in this unidentified battle.

F.B.I. Uses Floodlights To Round Up Touhy Gang

By GILES FINDLEY

CHICAGO (AP)—The "Terrible" Touhy" gang, described by F.B.I. Chief J. Edgar Hoover as "the most vicious and most dangerous of the United States has ever had," was smashed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Monday night and early today, two members by killing and five by recapture.

Announcement of the round-up, in which not a single F.B.I. man was injured despite a gun battle with the two felons who were slain, was made by Hoover at the offices of the F.B.I. He said he had been in Chicago, where the gang was rounded up, since Sunday and the seizure represented weeks of careful planning and timing.

ESCAPED OCT. 9

The gang had been hunted since Oct. 9, when Roger Touhy, leader of the mob that ruled Chicago's northwest gang circles during the prohibition era, and six others fought and clubbed their way out of the Stateville Penitentiary near Joliet, Ill.

Touhy and his first lieutenant, Basil Hugh (The Owl) Banghart, a desperate criminal who boasted "no jail can hold me," surrendered to F.B.I. agents this morning without a shot being fired. With them was Edward Darlak, 32, serving a sentence of 199 years' imprisonment for the murder of a policeman.

Monday night two other members of the gang, Eugene Lanthorn, better known by his alias of James O'Connor, and St. Clair McInerney, were shot down when they attempted to escape from a hiding place surrounded by F.B.I. agents. Previously Mathew Nelson, whose correct name is Martilick Nelson, alias Harold Seeger, and William Stewart had been captured secretly by the F.B.I.—Nelson in Minneapolis, Dec. 16, and Stewart Dec. 19, in Chicago.

Touhy, Banghart and Darlak were captured early this morning in an apartment at 5116 Kenmore Avenue without a shot being fired.

USED FLOODLIGHTS

The F.B.I. had erected floodlights about the building to guard against any slipway in the early morning darkness. Agents manned the roof of the building and others, heavily armed, were posted across the street.

A loudspeaker system was installed to call out orders to the hiding desperados.

At 5 a.m., the floodlights flashed on and the G-men called to Touhy, Banghart and Darlak: "Come out through the front door. Come out backwards and with your hands up. Banghart, you come first."

For 10 minutes, the agents, fingers on triggers, waited for a response.

Then the door opened and Banghart, hands overhead, backed cautiously through the door.

Agents reached out from their apartment door facing that of the gangsters, grabbed him and wheeled him into their apartment, where he was manacled.

Next they called for Touhy to come out, and then Darlak. All surrendered without a struggle.

Touhy wore brilliant red pajamas and his black hair had been turned blond with peroxide. A bottle of peroxide was found in the flat.

The F.B.I. had taken an apartment directly across the hall from the gang's in the six-flat building. In it they stored an arsenal of tear gas, machine guns and high-powered rifles.

In addition, they moved families from the second floor to the third so they could be evacuated through a skylight in the event it was necessary to besiege the criminals with tear gas bombs to drive them out.

CACHED \$13,533

In the Touhy apartment agents found \$13,533.27 in cash, but Hoover said it had not been determined immediately whence this money had come from. Five revolvers, five sawed-off shotguns and one 30-30 rifle, all loaded and plentifully supplied with ammunition, were confiscated.

Hoover said all the fugitives except Nelson had remained in Chicago since they fled from prison.

Touhy, 44, and Banghart, 42, machine gunner for the old Touhy mob and described by Chicago detectives as the toughest man who ever walked into their bureau, were serving 99 years each for the 1933 kidnapping of John (Jake the Barber) Factor when they escaped.

Stewart and Nelson are life termers.

Bodies of the two slain men were removed some four hours after the first F.B.I. raid, when reporters gained entry to the Leland Avenue premises.

R.C.A.F. Pilot Killed In Crash Near Here

Sgt. Pilot J. L. Cornell of Moose Jaw, Sask., was killed Monday when his plane, operating out of a Vancouver Island R.C.A.F. base on a routine training flight, crashed into the sea off Galliano Island, east of Salt Spring Island. Operations to recover the aircraft are proceeding.

20 Injured When Trains Crash

LAZARE, Man. (CP)—Twenty persons were injured, one seriously, when Canadian National Railways eastbound Continental Limited collided head-on with a troop train here today.

All those injured suffered cuts from flying glass and a shaking up except one person who was reported to have received a serious mouth injury when a fork plunged through the roof of his mouth while he was in the diner.

The westbound train had reached the Lazare station and was backing into a siding about 200 yards east. It was unable to clear the track because a freight train already was on the siding.

Both trains were moving slowly.

Railway officials at Winnipeg said 12 were injured on the military train and eight on the Continental Limited.

Aid Russia Fund Passes \$3,800

Victoria's Canadian Aid to Russia Fund today went over the \$3,800 mark, it was announced by Gordon A. Campbell, honorary treasurer, at campaign headquarters, 1238 Government Street.

Recent contributions include:

Mrs. Elizabeth Rithet \$100, Dr. Russell B. Robertson \$100, Peter Tweedie \$20, Anon. (Mrs. W.) \$5, Victor Mark \$1, Mr. and Mrs. Bowden \$5, Mrs. M. E. Bowden \$10, Mrs. C. Cremer \$1, T. Turnbull \$1, C. G. Pepper \$1, G. G. Fraser \$5, A. T. Payne \$5, Mr. and Mrs. Hobson \$5, W. Robbins \$5, Anon. \$2, Miss M. E. Walker \$5, Anon. \$2, Mr. and Mrs. Snodden \$5, Geo. T. Moir \$5, Mangin Ltd., H. C. \$1, Amy F. Bradley \$1, Patricia George \$2, H. G. Wyatt \$4, Miss E. E. Harte \$10, Anon. \$5, Constance E. Stewart \$2, Anon. \$1, Anon. \$5, Stonier \$1, Miss Agnes Revey \$50, Miss C. A. Revey \$50, Anon. \$1, Robert Porter & Sons Ltd. \$25, W. C. Stoner \$10, Rev. James Hood \$5, Frances Collar \$15, A. J. Ross \$3, Anon. \$1, Mrs. Elsie Rush \$5, Mrs. Dr. H. H. Hare \$5, A. G. Beattie \$2, Mrs. C. L. Douglas \$1, Mrs. Y. Polier, Jordan River, \$1, R. F. Walling, Saanichton, \$250, Dr. W. W. Bryce \$5, Miss Lola B. Maxwell \$5, Capt. Mavor, Brentwood \$10, Miss McNeill \$2, A. F. Touracres \$5, H. Baylis \$5, J. Macdonald \$5, Misses \$2, Mrs. Tewbury \$3, M. J. Smith \$1, Wm. Thorpe \$2, Mrs. Peetz \$1, Miss E. Corbin \$1, S. S. Gilring \$2, E. H. T. \$2.50.

103rd Birthday Ambition

BRANTFORD, Ont. (CP)—Greatest ambition of Mrs. Annie King, voiced on her 103rd birthday Monday, is to see Hitler and his armies go down to defeat.

Supply Planes Of Nazis Downed Like Clay Pigeons

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW (AP)—Col. Gen. Nikolai F. Vatutin's Russian armies of the south thrust forward today along a 300-mile front spread fanwise from Novaya Kalitva, just south of Rossosh, at the edge of the Ukraine, to Kichino, deep in the windswept Kalmyck steppes.

Where this front cuts across the Stalingrad-Tikhoretsk railway, the Russians reported smashing through Nazi outer defenses to capture Nagolny, three miles south of Kotelnikovski, where the Germans braced for a terrific struggle.

The Russian onrush closed in from three sides of Kotelnikovski, the important rail line citadel, and stood astride some highways of escape at its rear.

The rail line town of Millerovo, 120 miles north of Rostov, also was hard pressed as the Russians fought their way into Ternovy, two miles northwest of the town. Millerovo had been by-passed and almost cut off previously.

Locked far in the rear of this Russian arc of steel, Field Marshal Fedor von Bock's 22 Nazi divisions remained surrounded before Stalingrad within an encirclement which the Russians daily report drawing tighter.

No Supplies By Rail Or Truck

This huge force still is capable of furious resistance, and Russian dispatches indicated that it showed no signs of sudden weakening. It is supplied by air only, and the Russians reported shooting down the German transport planes like clay pigeons.

Battlefront dispatches described the corridor which the Russian army has driven between this trapped force and the main German army as growing wider daily, while the Russians expand their hold across the middle Don steppe and along the Stalingrad-Likhaya rail line.

The front is composed of these three related operations: 1. Southwest of Stalingrad, where the Red Army has moved within light artillery range of Kotelnikovski, closing in on three sides of the town.

A second Russian force has knifed into the Kalmyck steppe to the south, fanning out over a vast area and taking Kichikino, 42 miles north of Elista, the Kalmyck capital.

A third force has driven up inside the Don elbow northwest of Kotelnikovski, where the Russians were reported Monday within 45 miles of a junction with troops from the north. This would close a second trap around the Nazis to the east.

Within 100 Miles Of Rostov-on-Don

2. The fight around Millerovo, where the Russian drive across the middle Don has pushed on into the eastern Ukraine and wedged south within 100 miles of Rostov at the mouth of the Don on the Sea of Azov.

Millerovo, 120 miles north of Rostov, was virtually surrounded, and the Russians announced they had stormed settlement after settlement southeast of the town, penetrating to the western portion of the Stalingrad-Likhaya railway. That line crosses the Donets river and joins the Rostov-Moscow main line at Likhaya, 70 miles north of Rostov.

3.—On the Ukraine front, the Russians reported the capture of Chertkov, 30 miles northwest of Millerovo and battlefront dispatches said other nearby towns had been won back under the Red banner in a continuing advance.

Dispatches from the middle Don front said the Germans were rushing up reinforcements, but that the Red army was striking so swiftly these new Nazi troops had no time to get into position.

The weather was described as extremely cold. Snow in some places was deepening.

On the Kotelnikovski front, Red Star said German counterattacks from carefully-prepared defense positions were beaten down, and the Russian drive continued. It reported the retreating Germans were abandoning undamaged guns and equipment.

MUSIC for New Year's Party

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Ottawa Announces Appointments

OTTAWA (CP)—Labor Minister Mitchell today announced appointments to fill administrative positions formerly held by Dr. Bryce M. Stewart, Deputy Minister of Labor, who resigned recently to return to the United States. The positions do not carry any salary and are customarily held by a senior departmental officer in addition to his regular duties.

Arthur J. MacNamara, associate Deputy Labor Minister and director of National Selective Service, has been named chairman of the interdepartmental committee on labor co-ordination. This committee includes a representative from each of the government departments concerned with Canada's war effort and, with the National War Labor Board, forms the advisory committee on selective service.

Murdoch M. MacLean, the Labor Department's director of industrial relations has been appointed a member of the investment committee established under authority of the Unemployment Insurance Act of 1940. This three-man committee is presided over by Graham Towers, governor of the Bank of Canada, and the other member is Dr. W. C. Clark, Deputy Minister of Finance.

The committee recommends and makes, with approval of the Unemployment Insurance Commission, investment of funds accumulated from contributions under the act.

The minister also announced that with cabinet concurrence he had nominated Vincent C. MacDonald, K.C., assistant Deputy Minister of Labor, to Dr. Stewart's place as Canada's representative on the governing body of the International Labor Office.

Germany Claims Convoy 'Smashed'

BERLIN (From German Broadcasts, AP)—The German high command claimed today that in a two-day attack Axis submarines had "smashed" a convoy bound south from Britain and sunk 15 cargo ships totaling 85,000 tons as well as a destroyer and a corvette among the escorting vessels.

(There was no confirmation of the report. A German report recorded in London said the convoy was American and that it had been followed until it was near the French (perhaps French north African) coast.

(The high command communiqué, as recorded in New York, said simply that it was a convoy sailing south from Britain.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By GLENN BABB
Associated Press Staff Writer

The last bit of Vichy rule has been wiped from the map of Africa and prospects for early union of all France's overseas empire, except Indo-China, under one banner is brighter today than ever before. The Lorraine Cross of the Fighting French has been raised over Jibuti, capital of the little, isolated Somaliland colony which was the last unit of French Africa to acknowledge the authority of the Petain regime.

Thus all the French empire except the homeland and Indo-China, held captive by Hitler and Hirohito, respectively, has joined the United Nations. France's overseas possessions were second in extent only to those of Britain.

BRIGHTER OUTLOOK

The task of welding the two major groups of Frenchmen into an effective union remains, but prospects of success have improved immeasurably in the last week. Frenchmen fighting for the liberation of their homeland and destruction of the aggressor powers soon should be able, unless there is an unforeseen lack of statesmanship on the Allied side, to concentrate on the military contribution they have in their power to make to the common cause.

That contribution has become an important one and should grow steadily as the Allies push on with the job of ousting the Axis from Africa and clearing the springboard for the invasion of Hitler's Europe that will liberate France. A large and strategically important sector of the Tunisian front is in the keeping of French forces directed by the new High Commissioner in north Africa, Gen. Giraud.

These Frenchmen, it is disclosed, began fighting Germans a few days after the Allies had

landed in north Africa, offering the first opposition to the forces Hitler poured into Tunisia before Briton and Americans reached that battlefield from their landing points far to the west. They are receiving arms and supplies from the United Nations, and their fighting strength is increasing steadily.

FEZZEN AREA

Meanwhile, the Fighting French, headed by Gen. de Gaulle, who have held equatorial Africa for two years, permitting its development as a base and supply route for the Allies, have begun their expected advance northward into the desert Fezzan area in southwestern Libya. Continuation of this advance will considerably increase the difficulties of the Nazi generals, Rommel and Nehring, as they regroup their forces for the last stand of the Axis in Africa.

Frenchmen thus are fighting as valued Allies alongside Britons and Americans in a revival of the victorious comradeship of 1918. Unification of the Giraud and De Gaulle groups will contribute mightily not only to the military effectiveness of the French but also to the solidarity of the entire United Nations alliance.

Gen. de Gaulle, in a generous statement Monday night in London, paid tribute to Giraud, and said "the union of the whole empire in the war" probably soon can be realized, making that union an early probability. He acted after consultation with Prime Minister Churchill and Anthony Eden, and probably will have a chance soon to confer with President Roosevelt. The result probably will be a temporary French government that will direct a unified French war effort in many parts of the world to make all Frenchmen free.

3-Way Inquiry Now Under Way On Train Wreck

ALMONTE, Ont. (CP)—A three-way investigation was under way today into Canada's worst train wreck in 32 years, which took a toll of at least 36 lives Sunday night.

The Dominion Board of Transport Commissioners, the criminal investigation branch of the Ontario Provincial Police, and the Canadian Pacific Railway, all pressed investigation of the collision of two trains at the station here.

A troop train from Petawawa camp smashed into the rear end of a standing C.P.R. passenger train, en route from Pembroke to Ottawa, loading holiday passengers returning to the capital. The three end coaches of the passenger train were ripped open by the troop train locomotive, and it was in them the casualties occurred.

Three of the deaths took place Monday as the injured were being brought to Ottawa hospitals aboard a special train. These three were: E. H. Collins, Belleville, Ont.; Pte. Charles Parker MacDonald of Camp Borden, Ont., and Chalk River, Ont., and Mrs. Georgina Pilon of Ottawa.

Pte. MacDonald was a cousin of G. C. MacDonald of Chalk River, also killed in the wreck. With the three who died on the special train definitely identified, the name of only one victim—a woman whose body is at Almonte—remained unknown.

CORPORAL KILLED

An Almonte undertaker said today a body tentatively identified Monday as that of Cpl. G. O'Brien of Petawawa, Ont., now has been positively identified by an army official as that of Cpl. Robert Oliver of Petawawa and Montreal.

Cause of the disaster—the costliest in human life on any Canadian railway since 1910 when 43 were killed in a derailment at Spanish River Bridge, Webbwood, Ont.—has yet to be determined.

Injured in the disaster were counted by the C.P.R. officially at 155.

One of the surprising features of the crash was that the crew of the troop train was not injured although they stood at their posts as the heavy engine smashed into the wooden coaches at the end of the station local.

An inquest was opened in Almonte Monday by the local coroner, Dr. A. A. Metcalfe, but it was adjourned to Jan. 7.

One of the most poignant reminders of the disaster was a pathetic pile of children's mittens, women's overshoes, Christmas bundles and a book of music, heaped alongside the tracks after the wreckage had been cleared and sorted.

DEATHS END ROMANCE

OTTAWA (CP)—Romance ended abruptly for A.C. Kenneth Moorehouse of Arnprior, Ont., and Miss Mary Garvin of Ottawa. They became engaged Christmas Day and their bodies were found

together in the twisted wreckage of a railway coach smashed Sunday night in the Almonte, Ont., wreck.

Miss Garvin was first mistakenly identified as Dorothy Rafter of Gillingham, Man., P. L. Convey, an Arnprior undertaker, later recognizing the body as that of Miss Garvin who had visited his home with Moorehouse Sunday afternoon. Her new engagement ring corroborated the identification.

Credit for saving many lives, easing the pain of scores of wounded and generally speeding up the disposal of victims of the wreck is given soldiers aboard one of the trains involved in the crash.

Stepping off their troop train after being organized into sections, the men fell to work systematically, keeping order and picking up victims from the wreckage of the three smashed passenger cars. They brought army blankets with them and these were used to wrap the dead and injured.

A number of service medical men were among those who rushed to the scene to help. An air force medical officer with his wife, a former nurse, worked for hours in an apartment which had been converted into an emergency hospital under their direction.

MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY

MONTREAL (CP)—The Earl of Athlone and Princess Alice asked President D. C. Coleman of the C.P.R. to convey their "profound sympathy" to relatives of those killed in Sunday night's railway crash at Almonte, Ont. C.P.R. officials said the Earl's message had been "appropriately replied to" by Mr. Coleman.

U.S. Bombers Create Havoc Among Japs

SOMEWHERE IN CHINA (AP)—U.S. fighters and bombers destroyed three enemy planes, probably destroyed two others and created havoc among Japanese ground forces in a series of sweeps against enemy bases in Burma and western Yunnan province today.

For the fourth time in eight days a flight of American bombers escorted by fighters went to the big Japanese airbase at Lashio in Burma and added appreciably to the destruction already done.

Another force delivered two devastating low-level attacks on Japanese troops and a supply concentration at Mengmao on the Burma Road, 30 miles across the Salween River in western Yunnan province.

Say Japs Repair Dock

TOKYO (From Japanese Broadcast, AP)—Domestic news and propaganda agency reported today Japanese engineers have refloated and repaired an 11,000-ton U.S. floating dock, which the news service said American forces scuttled last April at Port Marivales, Bataan.

Canada's Mother of the Year



Mrs. Mabel Irven works in a large Canadian gun arsenal. She's on the job from 7.30 a.m. to 7.30 p.m., six full days a week, and has seldom missed a day's work.



Her two sons: John, top, missing since Dieppe and Leonard, with the R.C.N.

Russians Attack Finns

HELSINKI (AP)—A Finnish communiqué today said that, extending the scope of the Soviet offensive, Red army troops have thrust heavily against Finnish lines after months of relative inactivity.

The communiqué said a Russian battalion hit the centre of the Finns' Svir River front between Lakes Ladoga and Onega Monday, but was repulsed with a loss of 150 dead. Smaller Soviet assault units were reported dispersed elsewhere.

U.S. Battleship Repaired

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox said today that very early in the war an American battleship had struck an uncharted reef but had long since been repaired.

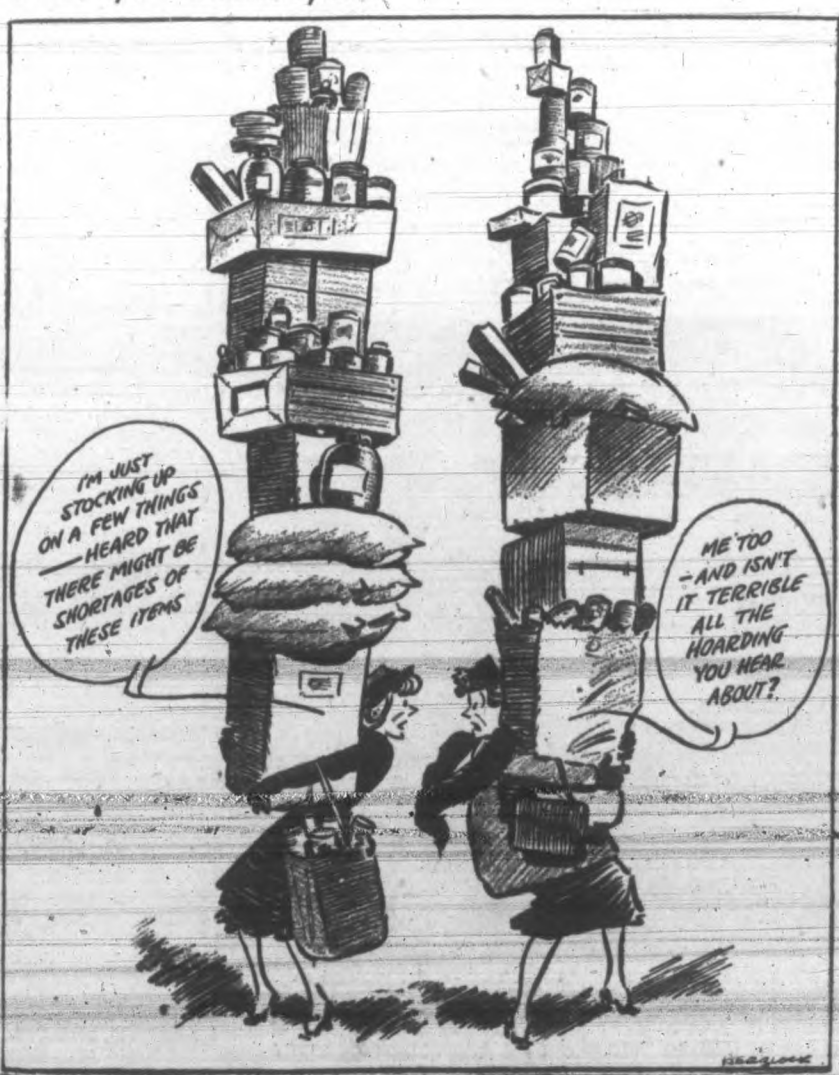
The secretary was asked at a press conference regarding reports that such a mishap had occurred, and he replied that he didn't think there was any harm in saying so now.

The reports about which the secretary was told were that the incident had occurred in the south Pacific.

Jamaica Reorganization

LONDON (CP)—Colonial Secretary Oliver Stanley has selected L. C. Hill, general secretary of the national local government of Jamaica, to advise the government of Jamaica on reorganization of the colony's administration. He is expected to leave Britain early in January.

It's Always 'Somebody Else'



British Press Approves Wallace's Postwar Speech

LONDON (CP)—Vice-president Henry Wallace's proposal for a world peace and welfare council after the war drew generally favorable comment from the British press today, although the labor Daily Herald professed to see "the calculating viewpoint of big business" in his address in Washington.

Declaring that such a view "is too much in evidence for our liking," the paper said that Wallace "stresses the fact that 'export markets' will be opened by improving the living standards of backward races."

"It may well be," the Daily Herald added, "that Mr. Wallace in these comments was merely acting up to his reputation as a shrewd politician... whether that be so or not, the Daily Herald does not agree that the security of new markets for export should be a prime consideration in planning the post-war settlement. Nothing could be more fatal to the peace than to encourage dividend-seekers to believe they will find it highly lucrative to support planning of world prosperity."

Less critical was the Daily Sketch, which said: "There is no suggestion of isolationism in Mr. Wallace's confession of faith. There is no thought of chauvinistic high-tariff policies."

The Sketch called Wallace the "champion of the century of the common man," as against those of his fellow countrymen who hail the future as the American century.

"It would indeed be premature," the Daily Telegraph said

editorially, "to assume that all sections of the American people, even since Pearl Harbor, are yet as acutely impressed by the logic of events as ourselves. Nevertheless, they have moved far, and last night's broadcast by Mr. Henry Wallace... was a good example of the efforts being made by leading American statesmen to educate their public in the responsibilities which the nation must shoulder in the post-war world."

"It is by now an axiom of constructive thought on this side of the Atlantic," the Daily Telegraph added, "that prospects of a stable and enduring peace depend largely on the extent to which the United States proves willing to play a part in its maintenance, commensurate with her power and resources."

"One of Woodrow Wilson's mistakes after the last war was to lay undue emphasis on sentimental internationalism in his endeavors to persuade his countrymen to accept their share in the management of world affairs."

"That mistake is not being repeated this time. The appeal most likely to influence the American people is one founded on practical and prudent considerations."

All papers gave the speech great prominence. Typical of the headlines were:

News Chronicle—"U.S. promises to take a hand in world's postwar tasks."

Express—"Allies will clean up Nazi poison schools; tariffs for 'new' nations."

Daily Mail—"U.S. plans to 'civilize' Germany's children."

Power Admits Exaggeration, Says Hepburn

TORONTO (CP)—Treasurer Mitchell Hepburn of Ontario said today Air Minister Power had sent him a telegram in connection with the film "Inside Fighting Canada" admitting there was exaggeration in the commentator's remarks concerning the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan.

Showing of the film, a one-reel picture issued by the National Film Board, had been held up in Ontario until Monday night by the Ontario board of film censors. Mr. Hepburn under whose department the film censors operate, said last Thursday that the film was held up because it contained "political propaganda."

In announcing its release, J. O. Silverthorne, chairman of the board, said that when the picture was submitted to the board Dec. 17, it was the board's opinion the picture fell within the propaganda category and that complete study must be made of the commentary before any decision concerning its release could be made.

"Upon examining the commentator's assertions we found part exaggerations and in certain instances distortions of the truth," Mr. Silverthorne said in a statement. "For example I quote from the excerpts—'Today the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan has graduated hundreds of thousands of fliers.' This obviously is an untruth."

Commenting on receipt of Mr. Power's telegram, Mr. Hepburn, under whose department the censor board functions, said: "We were right in saying there was exaggeration." He added that John Grierson, head of the National Film Board, has agreed to send the French commentary on the film, for use in the province of Quebec to the Ontario board for a check as to similarity to the English commentary.

Mr. Silverthorne said Monday night that in view of the widespread publicity given "Inside Fighting Canada," a one-reel film issued by the National Film Board, it had been decided to allow the film to be shown in Ontario.

Decision was concurred in by Treasurer Mitchell F. Hepburn, under whose department the Board of Censors functions. Mr. Hepburn said "the picture was at no time banned, but only as a common practice delayed pending further study following receipt of the commentator's remarks."

Mr. Silverthorne said, "No one believes the Canadian people themselves are united behind a national policy of voluntary service."

He quoted the portion in question as terming Canadians "a people who make a national policy of voluntary service." Mr. Hepburn last week said Ontario government policy for years had been not to let pictures be shown to any political advantage of any party, whether it is in power or not.

Big Japanese Banks Merge in 2 Groups

TOKYO (From Japanese Broadcasts, AP)—Domestic news and propaganda agency reported today two mergers involving four of Japan's largest banks have received government approval, and probably will be effected early in the spring.

The Mitsui Bank, chief financial organ of the Mitsu interests, will merge with the Dai Ichi (First) Bank, while the Mitsubishi Bank will absorb the Dai Hyaku (100th) Bank.

Domestically officials of the four banks reached the decision to merge "in order to contribute further strength to the nation's wartime financial structure."

The total deposits involved, Domestically estimated, will be more than 5,000,000,000 yen (about \$1,150,000, at prewar rates).

(The mergers represent another step in the long campaign of the military-dominated government to fit the big financial and business interests, which for the most part opposed military government, into a national economy streamlined and geared for war production.)

Prime Minister King Greets Free French

LONDON (CP)—Prime Minister King told Gen. Charles de Gaulle, Fighting French leader, in a Christmas message of his pleasure that "so staunch a Canadian" as Brig. Georges Vanier will consult with the French National Committee. Headquarters of the Fighting French made the message public today.

"We are all much pleased that in the new year we shall be afforded an opportunity for more direct co-operation between the French National Committee and the Canadian government," the Prime Minister said.

Gen. de Gaulle replied: "The National Committee attaches great value to development of its co-operation with the Canadian government. Brig. Vanier will be welcomed by us as the representative of a country which gives everything she holds dear for the salvation of civilization and the liberation of France."

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No Dreamer

WHEN A FEW MONTHS AGO MR. Henry A. Wallace, Vice-President of the United States, delivered a speech which won him the title of "Champion of The Century of the Common Man," not a few of his compatriots dubbed him an impractical idealist, while some of the economic traditionalists began to take pot shots at him from behind their citadels of special privilege. He was not surprised; his address was deliberately provocative; it contained much of the vital philosophy which needed to be propounded. Nor has Mr. Wallace wavered in his contentions in the meantime; he reaffirmed his articles of faith in a radio broadcast last night to commemorate the birthday of Woodrow Wilson.

But the 27th President of the United States was called many names during and immediately after the first Great War. He, too, was labelled a dreamer, an impractical idealist, a doctrinaire unversed in the stern realities of life. His compatriots—or not sufficient of them—would not believe him when he warned that unless they gave their full and active support to the League of Nations, unless they threw in their whole weight behind a plan to rebuild that war-torn world on sane lines, the next generation would witness a conflict beside which the one that had just ended would bear no comparison. Thus spoke Woodrow Wilson less than two decades before the madman of Berlin sent his legions into Poland and set the stage for a global war which not even the vivid imagination of the "dreamer" of that seemingly far-off day could hope to envision.

Mr. Wallace's warning last night differed in no important particular from that sounded by the man who sacrificed his health and eventually his life in the cause of the brotherhood of man. But the people of the United States in those early postwar years were not ready for the product of an "impractical idealist's" mind. The Vice-President, his chief at the White House, and men like Mr. Wendell Willkie are persistently hoisting the danger signal while the conflict rages. For unless their exhortations shall be heeded by the United States and all the United Nations, and heeded now, the calamity which Woodrow Wilson so correctly prophesied and repeated as he went to his deathbed will confront the next generation in a form too hideous to contemplate.

General de Gaulle's Hopes

STILL ANOTHER BLOW HAS BEEN dealt that element which had hoped to divide the United Nations by fomenting the difference of opinion which had developed as the result of General Eisenhower's pact with the former Vichy collaborationist. It has come from General de Gaulle, who paid a fine tribute last night to General Henri Giraud in a broadcast to his homeland in which he declared the time had come to form a temporary government that would unite all French people, repudiate the armistice, and also Vichy's dissolution of the Third Republic. There seems to be no doubt in the mind of the leader of the Fighting French that such a union can and will be realized. He put it this way:

"An enlarged temporary power, regrouping all French forces inside and outside the country, and all French territories which are able to fight for liberation, is necessary to national independence and unity until such time as the nation herself may be able to express her sovereign wishes."

As he gave unstinted praise to Darlan's successor, General de Gaulle said that during the worst moments of the war the French government had cause to regret its inability to make General Giraud the Generalissimo. Presumably the Fighting French leader was referring to the Prime Minister's appointment of General Maxime Weygand to succeed complacent and unrealistic Generalissimo Gamelin on May 20, 1940. By this time, of course, General Giraud—who had tried against overwhelming odds to redress General Corap's tragic blunder at Sedan—was caught by the enemy inside a French tank that blazed away at the invaders to its end. It was not until early last summer that Giraud again effected his second escape from the toils of France's traditional foe—an escape that was destined to give him an opportunity to play an important role in shaping the ultimate destiny of his native land.

They Played Politics

BY THE GRUDGING CONSENT OF EX-Premier Mitchell Hepburn who, as Provincial Treasurer, is responsible for the operations of the Ontario Board of Censors of Motion Pictures, the people of Canada's greatest industrial and wealthiest province will be permitted to see "Inside Fighting Canada"—a one-reel film issued by the National Film Board. It was originally banned by Mr. Hepburn's opinion. It had a partisan flavor, whereas it had been the policy of the Ontario government for years to forbid the showing of pictures of political advantage to any party, whether in office or not.

To this objection, Mr. John Grierison, Canadian government film commissioner, replied that "Inside Fighting Canada" is by its origin and nature, a piece of short and fast objective reporting, and "it is not true

that public funds are being used to produce motion pictures of a purely political character." To which the film chief added that the only reference the picture made to the administration and its personnel was the fact that the Prime Minister of Canada is Mr. Mackenzie King.

"It would be strange to Canadians if in a survey of Britain's war effort special care were taken to omit the name of Mr. Churchill," declared Mr. Grierison. And while he confessed he had no special inhibitions about revealing the name of the Prime Minister of Canada, "it would seem perversity in a film of the United States war effort if the commentator failed to mention Mr. Roosevelt," Mr. Grierison naturally had no apology to make for pointing out that the film was initiated at the request of the United States government, "which invited us to prepare a short film report on Canada's war effort for presentation to the American people."

The trouble with Mr. Hepburn and one or two newspapers with fixed ideas—such as, for example, the Victoria Daily Colonist—is that at long last the inexorable pressure of irrefutable proof of actual achievement has compelled them reluctantly to admit that Canada, after all, has done and is doing an excellent war job. But they will be the last to confess that much of their criticism of that job had its origin in a burning desire to manufacture political capital. They are now exposed; and Mr. Hepburn, for one, does not like it. So, "in view of the widespread publicity" given to "Inside Fighting Canada," the film is to be shown in Ontario. In other words, the Canadian taxpayer will get a new glimpse of how his money is being spent, to which he is entitled.

Fighting The Plague

EVERY WEEK BRINGS NEWS OF MORE and more tuberculosis surveys in various parts of Canada. The army led the way with its mass X-raying of recruits; industry followed in an effort to insure health and efficiency on the production line, and now whole communities are planning surveys designed to eradicate the disease completely in their area.

Moose Jaw, Sask., with a population of some 20,000, is the first city in Canada to institute an X-ray examination of all residents. As a first step in the survey, the services of a number of local organizations were secured in canvassing the city and urging people to attend the clinic. Children were sent from school in groups, and one evening the whole City Council turned up for an examination after its regular business session.

Another large scale check-up was recently completed in the town of Geraldton, Ont., when some 3,000 inhabitants were examined by X-ray. Four thousand residents of Watrous, Sask., were similarly checked not long ago and 15 cases of tuberculosis were discovered, all happily in the early stages, and 7 to 10 of which will require sanatorium treatment.

Numerous industrial surveys have been in progress during the last few months. Twenty-two hundred factory employees at Galt were X-rayed by the mobile clinic belonging to the Ontario Department of Health. A similar survey was carried on at Chatham. Tuberculin testing of industrial employees at Gananoque, Ont., was reported recently, all positive reactors and their families being subjected to an X-ray examination.

The city of London, Ont., decided not long ago that all new employees of City Council should be given tuberculosis tests within three months of being taken on the staff. Plans are also proceeding to give tests on a voluntary basis to all city workers, whether new employees or not. An X-ray examination of all restaurant employees in Truro, Nova Scotia, recently brought to light a number of cases of advanced tuberculosis and several suspects. All the foregoing reports are arguments emphasizing the need of a still more vigorous fight against a plague which kills more people between the ages of 15 and 45 than any other known disease.

He May Be At Home

BECAUSE NO MEMBER OF THE BRITISH cabinet has issued a statement of any kind about the assassination of Admiral Jean Darlan, or its effect on the future of France and the French colonial empire, a rumor is gaining currency that the explanation of official silence may be found in the whereabouts of Mr. Churchill. Inquiries at the White House in Washington yesterday, as to whether the Prime Minister again had crossed the Atlantic, were met with neither confirmation nor denial. Nor is it to be supposed—even assuming the air-minded and much-traveled political head of Great Britain is arranging with Mr. Roosevelt the date of the opening of the next front on the continental European coastline—that the inquisitive ones in our neighbor's capital would get any satisfaction until the curtain had gone down on another act of Anglo-American collaboration.

But perhaps all this speculation is without the least foundation; Mr. Churchill may be taking matters easily for a day or two, proffering any definite reference to his movements. When it was first suggested more than a week ago that the situation which had arisen over the Darlan arrangement with General Eisenhower might prompt a personal chat between the British Premier and President Roosevelt, the prompt denial of any such meeting, instead of putting the quietus on those reports, merely whetted the appetite of international news correspondents. However, in this most unpredictable of all wars, the public is no longer surprised or unduly alarmed by much that changes the world scene from day to day. L'affaire Darlan, for example, does not even rate inclusion in the category of a nine-day wonder.

Bruce Hutchison

SWEET FORGETFULNESS

A PHENOMENON WHICH constantly amazes my frail and innocent mind is the public's talent of forgetfulness. I am reminded of this great fact by the case of Mr. Elliott Little. Probably the public has forgotten his name already. In a matter of a few weeks a man who held the spotlight of the nation has faded away into oblivion and left nothing behind but a 70-page memorandum which no one will read. But more than Mr. Little has been forgotten. The whole manpower problem has been forgotten.

Not many weeks ago the nation was in a lather about manpower. It was clear to everyone that unless something drastic was done before morning the nation's war program would collapse in a heap with a low groan. And now, behold, though nothing has been done about it, though no solution has been attempted, no policy announced yet, the whole problem is apparently solved. It is solved in the best traditional fashion by the simple act of forgetting it.

In my short time in the newspaper business I have seen countless problems solved in this fashion. I have seen the public worked up into a white heat of anxiety and excitement about some great burning issue and then, a month or two later, no one remembers it at all. Apparently the public mind is only capable of holding one idea at a time, and not for very long. If a government can inject some new idea into it, the former idea is quickly removed and the government's embarrassment immediately ceases. Thus I dare say the manpower problem has been pushed out of the mind by the Egyptian campaign, which came along at just the right moment to relieve Mr. King from an almost intolerable public pressure.

OVER AND OVER AGAIN

IN THE SAME FASHION I have seen our public worked up to a fine excitement about the Oriental problem in British Columbia—not once but a dozen times, but in the end it is always forgotten. In the same period the nation was shaken to its foundations about Mr. King's plan to reform the Senate (1921) and again by his plan to reform our electoral system (1923), but the Senate is still unreformed, the electoral system unchanged and no one bothers about it any more. How often have we heard our Legislature prepare to do something about the exhaustion of our chief resource, the forests? And how often forgotten? And how many elections have been fought about the future of the P.E.G., and the dear old railway still where it was, unchanged and unnoticed?

Nay, consider how the men of our time have been equally forgotten by the same process. It is hard to believe today, is it not, that Lord Baldwin of Bewdley is still alive somewhere in England? Only a few short years ago he strode the British world like a Colossus and no one suspected that this mighty figure was stuffed with sawdust. And the last thing heard about him was that he had secured permission to retain the iron fence around his estate, when the fence was needed to retain his cow, which was needed in the war effort.

Since then Lord Baldwin has not had his name in the newspapers and there is not one man in ten about here who could tell you the dates of his various governments. Surely a great world reputation should wear better than this. And as for his great contemporaries, Curzon, Bonar Law, McKenna, Snowden, Thomas, Henderson and the others—how many schoolboys could write an essay of three lines on them?

FINE RELIC

HOW HARD IT IS to realize that Lloyd George is still alive! Only 20 odd years ago he was the most formidable figure in the world, next to Wilson, and by many regarded as the superlative genius of all British political history. Now you never hear of him. He is without doubt a mighty landmark in the history of our race, will be studied by schoolboys in history classes for countless generations; but we ignore him. In history he will be a living personality. With us he is a lifeless relic.

Even in our little local sphere, where you would think that close proximity would breed vivid memories, everyone, however prominent, is forgotten almost overnight. Countless Victorians cannot remember Mayors Morley, Todd and Porter, for example, though these worthy men used to be on the front page daily, and most children don't know who John Oliver was.

THE NEWSREEL

SURELY THIS FORGETFULNESS did not always exist. Surely other generations did not forget so quickly. Our trouble, I suppose, is that things are moving too rapidly for us, like a continual motion picture, like a newsreel which streams by our eyes all day until, by nightfall, we have left only a jumble of vague impressions; until by the end of our lives we have no clear memories of anything but only a vague impression that something has happened.

Something has happened all right. So much has happened in our generation that a man would need another lifetime to sit back quietly, with no other occupation, if he were to unravel it all and make some sense of it. We never get that chance. The managers of our current world theatre never give us an intermission. As soon as our interest flags in one sensational spectacle they produce another; and by doing so they can be sure that we will forget all the discrepancies and mistakes of the earlier performance. We are fated to go to our graves having seen everything and never really understanding anything. As the speed of the film increases, our children are likely to understand still less and to forget more.

SIDE GLANCES



Take care of yourself, Sally—I'll be worrying about you in that war plant while I'm in a nice safe tank!"

Canada-U.S. War Partners

By J. F. SANDERSON

Canadian-American relations in 1942, welded in the cauldron of war, reached a climax Dec. 1 when notes were exchanged between the two nations envisaging a postwar era of freer trade and closer economic intercourse, a pattern for a war-sticken world to follow.

The past year or 18 months has witnessed the obliteration, for all practical purposes, of the Canadian-American border. It no longer divides the two countries, it unites them and links them together in a common, co-ordinated war program in which one fills the requirements of the other so that both may contribute their maximum strength to the cause of the United Nations.

The notes exchanged at Washington foresee the day when this spirit of mutual assistance, co-operation and economic betterment can be extended into the peace, when the resources and wealth of the two nations can be exchanged not to win a war but for the advancement of civilization on this continent.

The exchange of notes was a natural development, the climax to a long series of enactments and agreements that have welded the two countries closer together than ever before, closer, perhaps, than any two sovereign states ever have been on a voluntary basis. The two nations, long so proud of an undefined border, have had a Permanent Joint Board of Defence for two years. Other joint boards have been formed to co-ordinate wartime production on a continental basis, develop and distribute the materials and resources of each so that the industrial machines of both will benefit and, finally, study long-range economic problems, particularly of the postwar era.

HYDE PARK AGREEMENT

Behind this joint program is the Hyde Park agreement, signed by Prime Minister Mackenzie King and President Roosevelt on Nov. 2, 1942, which really is the fulcrum for all co-operative efforts between Canada and the United States in wartime. Under its terms, Canada is turning out cargo and naval vessels for the United States, Canadian factories are producing munitions for the American forces and Canadian mines, smelters and processing plants are working on American orders. In exchange, Canada gets such tangible returns as the engines for planes fabricated in her factories, machine tools for her assembly lines, steel to make ships, guns and shells and intangible assets of great value such as representation on boards and committees in Washington that distribute raw materials, issue priority ratings and otherwise plan the industrial side of the war.

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LIABILITIES		
Capital stock paid up.....	\$ 30,000,000.00	\$ 30,000,000.00
Reserve funds.....	3,399,198.23	
Balance of profits carried forward as per Profit and Loss Account.....	2,329,198.23	
Dividends unclaimed.....	68,863.89	
Dividend No. 221 (at 5% per annum), payable 1st December, 1942.....	68,863.89	23,943,061.83
Deposits by and balances due to Dominion Government.....	\$144,197,823.89	
Deposits by and balances due to Provincial Governments.....	17,362,485.40	
Deposits by the public not bearing interest.....	876,594,353.44	
Deposits by the public bearing interest, including interest accrued to date of statement.....	428,973,822.84	
Deposits by and balances due to other chartered banks in Canada.....	1,123.57	
Deposits by and balances due to banks and banking correspondents in the United Kingdom and foreign countries.....	17,047,634.01	1,181,217,192.84
Notes of the bank in circulation.....		18,771,381.53
Acceptances and letters of credit outstanding.....		21,185,431.68
Liabilities to the public not included under the foregoing heads.....		2,127,079.28
		\$1,291,615,946.85
ASSETS		
Gold held in Canada.....	\$ 796.86	
Subsidiary coin held in Canada.....	1,688,444.93	
Real estate other than bank premises.....	12,960,588.81	
Subsidiary coin held elsewhere.....	1,708,758.63	
Notes of Bank of Canada.....	30,127,060.78	
Deposits with Bank of Canada.....	71,827,183.24	
Notes of other chartered banks.....	814,953.79	
Government and bank notes other than Canadian.....	31,661,337.17	
Cheques on other banks.....	\$ 88,908,754.34	
Deposits with and balances due by other chartered banks in Canada.....	2,123.57	
Due by banks and banking correspondents elsewhere than in Canada.....	65,719,393.96	124,630,372.17
Dominion and Provincial Government direct and guaranteed securities maturing within two years, not exceeding market value.....		219,138,682.00
Other Dominion and Provincial Government direct and guaranteed securities, not exceeding market value.....		200,482,645.08
Public securities other than Canadian, not exceeding market value.....		8,460,539.06
Other bonds, debentures and stocks, not exceeding market value.....		82,872,130.67
Call and short (not exceeding 30 days) loans in Canada on bonds, debentures, stocks and other securities of a sufficient marketable value to cover.....		33,140,496.97
Call and short (not exceeding 30 days) loans elsewhere than in Canada on bonds, debentures, stocks and other securities of a sufficient marketable value to cover.....		6,267,496.97
Current loans and discounts in Canada, not otherwise included, estimated loss provided for.....	\$258,148,491.76	
Loans to Provincial Governments.....	1,770,548.28	
Loans to cities, towns, municipalities and school districts.....	18,961,150.04	
Current loans and discounts elsewhere than in Canada, not otherwise included, estimated loss provided for.....	89,275,482.71	
Non-current loans, estimated loss provided for.....	1,187,336.83	
Bank premises, at not more than cost, less amounts written off.....		233,344,320.22
Real estate other than bank premises.....		1,760,492.03
Mortgages on real estate sold by the bank.....		823,098.19
Call and short (not exceeding 30 days) loans in Canada on bonds, debentures, stocks and other securities of a sufficient marketable value to cover.....		31,136,431.68
Shares of and loans to controlled companies.....		3,169,841.94
Deposits with the Minister of Finance for the security of note circulation.....		1,110,000.00
Other assets not included under the foregoing heads (but including refundable portion of Dominion Government Taxes).....		662,028.78
		\$1,291,615,946.85

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AUDITORS' REPORT
To THE SHAREHOLDERS: THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA
We have examined the above Statement of Liabilities and Assets as at 30th November, 1942, with the books and accounts of The Royal Bank of Canada at Head Office and with the certified returns from the branches. We have checked the cash and the securities representing the Bank's investments held at the Head Office at the close of the fiscal year, and at various dates during the year. We have obtained all the information and explanations that we have required, and in our opinion the transactions of the Bank, which have come under our notice, have been within the powers of the Bank. The above statement is in our opinion properly drawn up so as to disclose the true condition of the Bank as at 30th November, 1942, and it is as shown by the books of the Bank.

A. BALLANTYNE, C.A., of Pte. Hargraves, Mitchell & Co., Auditors.
M. OGDEN HASKELL, C.A., of Haskell, Elderkin & Co., Auditors.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 29th November, 1941.....	\$ 3,709,074.44
Profits for the year ended 30th November, 1942, after providing for Dominion Government taxes amounting to \$2,014,166.80 (of which \$24,781.75 is refundable under the provisions of the Excess Profits Tax Act) and after making appropriations to Contingency Reserves, out of which Reserves provision for all bad and doubtful debts has been made.....	3,399,198.23
	\$ 6,998,198.23
Dividend No. 218 at 5% per annum.....	\$ 700,000.00
Dividend No. 219 at 5% per annum.....	700,000.00
Dividend No. 220 at 5% per annum.....	700,000.00
Dividend No. 221 at 5% per annum.....	68,863.89
Contribution to the Pension Fund Society.....	\$ 2,625,000.00
Appropriation for Bank Premises.....	315,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward.....	3,399,198.23
	\$ 6,998,198.23

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Montreal, December 24, 1942.

Grim Situation Faces Axis Group As 1943 Arrives

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Associated Press War Analyst

Many months ago, on his return from more than 20 years on the diplomatic front in Germany, a veteran of the American foreign service, told this writer he saw only two possibilities of an internal collapse in that country.

Given food shortages as dire as they were in Germany in 1918, revolt against the Nazi regime could result, he thought. He saw small prospect of that happening then. There is even less now. Hitler has a conquered continent to loot under his declared policy that whoever else shall starve, Germans shall eat.

The other possibility this observer of the German scene saw was that a tremendous military defeat could shatter German nerves. That also seemed an utterly remote event when he spoke. Britain was fighting the Axis alone.

At this moment, however, portents of military disaster stalk Hitler in Russia and Africa. The "very simple" winter war program he announced to his people last October is being put to a double and crucial test. It was "to hold what must be held. Hold adamantly and wait and see who tires out first."

"Worse situations (than in the winter of 1941-1942) cannot and will not come," he added.

STALINGRAD CHANGE

By his own words Stalingrad was a place that "must" be held. It was not even taken, it is not Stalingrad, but an estimated force of 300,000 Axis troops in the Stalingrad salient that is now endangered. Russian attackers are across every rail communication line far in their rear. The escape gap narrowing.

Another Hitler "must" unquestionably was that Rommel's victorious Africa Corps should keep threatening the vital British sea base, Alexandria, in Egypt. A meagre 75 miles separated the Axis army at El Alamein from that goal then. In two months or less it has fled more than 1,000 miles westward before the avenging British army.

Its striking power is gone. All signs point toward a retreat into Tunisia.

NARROW STRIP

Ever-increasing British, American and Fighting French forces now surround the narrow coastal strip in western and northern Tunisia, and in extreme western Tripolitania, to which the once vast Axis holdings in Africa have been shrivelled. There seems no reason to doubt that even that tiny enemy foothold south of the

Mediterranean, militarily valueless except for its domination of the Sicilian Straits, can be wrested from the foe.

The very tenacity of Axis war bulletins from Russia and Africa confirms rather than denies the grim situation in which Hitler finds himself as another new year approaches.

And on top of this, Hitler's Japanese accomplice, Tojo, grimly warns the Japanese that the war in the Pacific is only now starting, with Allied offensives on many fronts in preparation. Last September Hitler told his German hearers that his pact with Japan ensured against Axis defeat, presumably because it would keep the United States too busy in the Pacific for effective intervention in the European theatre. Events in Africa and the Atlantic sufficiently discount that only four months later.

Ordinary Fly One of Worst Menaces to Troops

RICHMOND—The fly is one of the most menacing aerial enemies of our fighting forces, both here and abroad, the Southern Medical Association here was told by Lieut.-Col. Dwight M. Kuhns of Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta.

As long ago as the Spanish-American war the part that the house fly plays in the spread of diseases was discovered and put into practice for the protection of the health of, first, our troops, and then in later years the civilian population.

Thanks to the extensive introduction of modern methods of sewage disposal, the dangers of disease spread by flies has been partially forgotten by the public and even by the doctors and health officials. The men in the army have not realized the importance of safe disposal of human wastes under field conditions and the necessity of cleanliness in handling food wherever the troops may be.

Diarrhea and dysentery are principal diseases spread by flies and they are particularly dangerous under tropical or semi-tropical conditions such as those under which our troops are operating in many parts of the world.

Lieut.-Col. Kuhns explained that researches with troops on active service show that carriers of these diseases are more prevalent than commonly realized. Troops are being taught intensively the methods of sanitation that prevent dangers from these diseases.

A shortage of sauerkraut has been averted by packing it in old-fashioned wooden barrels instead of cans.

Canadian Airmen Win High Awards

LONDON (CP)—Three awards, a George Medal and two British Empire Medals, to Canadian airmen for gallantry in rescuing comrades in arms from crashed aircraft have been announced by the Air Ministry.

The awards: George Medal, PO. R. F. Jenner, Ottawa; British Empire Medal, Sgt. G. K. Reardon, St. George, N.B.; LAC. H. R. Carter, Kelfield, Sask.

Jenner was a member of the crew of a four-engine bomber which was repeatedly hit by anti-aircraft fire after a successful attack on Dusseldorf last September.

After crossing the English coast the aircraft crashed in a field and caught fire. All the crew with the exception of the rear gunner managed to extricate themselves. Two sergeants re-entered the aircraft in an attempt to rescue the rear gunner, but a gasoline tank exploded and both were killed.

Jenner (then a flight sergeant) who had seen his two comrades killed and knew that another gasoline tank might explode, re-entered the burning fuselage, found the rear gunner severely burned and removed him to safety.

Carter and another airman were working on an airfield when a bomber crashed into a storehouse one night last September, the citation said. Although the front of the aircraft was burning fiercely and the gasoline tanks were likely to explode, Carter climbed through a hole in the aircraft in an endeavor to rescue the observer who was in the middle of the aircraft lying across the ammunition tanks.

OTTAWA ANNOUNCEMENT

OTTAWA (CP)—R.C.A.F. headquarters announce award of five Distinguished Flying Medals and four Distinguished Crosses to members of the R.C.A.F.

Also announced was a D.F.C. to an R.A.F. flier who trained in Canada and a D.F.M. to a Canadian in the R.A.F.

The awards: D.F.C.—PO. Robt. Jos Campbell, Pawling, N.Y.; FO. Jerrold Arthur Morris, London, Eng.; PO. Kenneth Jas. Methers, north Edmonton, Alta.; PO. Albert Smith, Toronto; PO. Alan John Francis, Saskatoon; FO. Gavin S. Smith of the R.A.F. D.F.M.—Flt. Sgt. Noel Cecil Turner, Vancouver; Flt. Sgt. Robt. John Oates, Leighton Buzzard, Eng.; Flt. Sgt. L. J. Boucher, Grand Falls, N.B.; Sgt. Joseph Edgar Galloway, Milton, Ont.; Flt. Sgt. Alex Wm. John Baker, Pickering, Ont., of the R.A.F. All the awards were announced previously in London, except those to FO. Campbell, FO. Smith and Flt. Sgt. Oates.

Axis Intrigue In Iran Spotlights Vital Supply Line



Here's something the Axis would like to stop: War and food supplies for Russia are being unloaded from a ship at Bandar Shahpur, on the Persian Gulf. An Indian soldier is shown standing guard as a native porter carries a bulky load for shipment on the Trans-Iranian railroad.

By THOMAS M. JOHNSON
WASHINGTON — Behind the brief news accounts of civilian rioting in distant and seemingly insignificant Iran lies the story of a vital artery of Allied supply and a sinister Axis threat to strangle it.

It is likely that not only the continued effective resistance by Russia but also the course of the British and American campaign in North Africa would be greatly changed by any failure of the transport route from the Persian Gulf across Iran to Russia.

American engineers and ingenuity are striving unadvisedly to make the Iran route a bigger and safer doorway to Russia than that malign graveyard of ships, Murmansk. They are greatly augmenting the capacity of the railroad and are improving dock facilities.

In itself, the Teheran rioting was not a serious threat, but it is significant. For besides looting shops and wrecking Parliament, the mobs were cursing the Iran government which is co-operating with American efforts to solve the supply problem for Russia.

Having failed in sabotage attempts, the Axis now is trying to foment revolution in the Iran capital, where it has altogether too many agents and sympathizers. Grim purging of these elements is indicated, for the fact is that we must get our goods through Iran if we want Russia to keep on fighting.

FAMINE THREATENS

She cannot count without more outside help than she is getting. Unaided, she can meet the Red Army's needs, and something over—something, but not enough for all the 125,000,000 men, women and children behind the Red Army. That is the consensus of reliable reports.

The Bear has been badly wounded, mostly in the stomach. He has lost his biggest farming areas—last year the Ukraine, this year the Kuban—which produced nearly half his prewar wheat. His farm tractors are short of replacement parts and manpower. Newly-planted Siberian areas are not yet producing. Losses of lands yielding petroleum, iron and other commodities are making themselves felt.

There is some famine. Foreign observers have lately seen Russians fall dead in the snow of hunger and exhaustion. More

than 1,000,000 people are reported to have died in the Leningrad area before winter helped the bringing in of supplies—its cold by freezing the Lake Ladoga sledge route, its longer nights by partly blinding submarines and planes off Murmansk. But the northern route cannot meet Russian needs for Allied help as Iran can. The latter is virtually safe from planes and submarines, and the longer haul is being shortened by more ships and by local transport and harbor improvements.

AXIS MAY TRY PINCERS

The work is doubly urgent for us now that our expedition in North Africa is striking real resistance which would encourage Axis efforts to bottle us up in the Mediterranean by counter-strokes through Spain and the Near East. From Greece, the Axis might try to strike Montgomery's rear in Egypt and cut off his 8th Army as well as our Iran supply line to Russia.

In Iran, Iraq and Syria, the 9th Army is not too strong. It is composed of British, Australians, Indians and Fighting French, with some Poles. But there are nothing like as many Poles as remain in Russia, where there are still 250,000 more fighting men, eager to fight, and some 600,000 civilians. All the Sikorski government's efforts have failed in the delicate task of getting them out. In cold and hunger, they are working for the Red Army.

FACE HEAVY OPPOSITION

But in Russia, everyone is at least a little cold and hungry. American grumblings about gas rationing would sound there like the yowls of a spoiled child. Everyone in Russia is working for the Red Army. Its soldiers alone are uniformly well fed, clothed, generally well equipped—thanks to heroic sacrifices by virtually every man, woman and child. They are giving up everything, say varied and reliable reports, except their morale, their faith in victory and their willingness to endure.

So for another winter they will bear the brunt of fighting many times as intense as that on the new "second front" in Africa. No more than 15 Axis divisions are engaged in Africa, while in Russia are at least half of the Axis total of 420 divisions. That alone explains why we must keep Iran open and continue to supply Russia with a mounting volume of food and goods.

Guilty Leaders Must Be Punished, Says Wallace

WASHINGTON (AP)—Vice-President Henry Wallace's proposal for a world council after the war to direct a planned global economy was viewed in some U.S. congressional quarters today as possibly a "trial balloon" for President Roosevelt's address to Congress Jan. 7.

Wallace, known to have consulted with the President while preparing his speech, said Monday in a broadcast commemorating the birthday of Woodrow Wilson that the new freedom for which Wilson fought was "the forerunner of the Roosevelt new deal of 1933 and of the world-wide new democracy which is the goal of the United Nations in this present struggle."

HUMAN AFFAIRS

"The task of our generation—the generation which President Roosevelt once said has a 'rendevous with destiny'—is so to organize human affairs that no Adolf Hitler, no power-hungry warmongers, whatever their nationality, can ever again plunge the whole world into war and bloodshed."

Senator Burton Wheeler (Dem., Mont.) commented that the people of the United States must put a stop to "bureaucracy and regimentation" or face the prospect of losing their democracy.

Some senators said postwar program makers should be chary about drafting a detailed blueprint for the peace until they know what kind of governments and men they will have to deal with at the conference tables.

Wallace said that "obviously the United Nations must first have machinery which can disarm and keep disarmed those parts of the world which would break the peace."

He added that "we must make absolutely sure that the guilty leaders are punished, that the defeated nation realizes its defeat and is not permitted to rearm."

"The military disarmament will have to be backed up with psychological disarmament—supervision or at least inspection, of the school systems of Germany and Japan, to undo so far as possible the diabolical work of Hitler and the Japanese war lords in poisoning the minds of the young."

Also necessary, he said, was

"machinery for preventing economic warfare."

"Probably there will have to be an international court to make decisions in cases of dispute," Wallace said. "And an international court presupposes some kind of world council, so that whatever world system evolves will have enough flexibility to meet changing circumstances as they arise."

HIGH TARIFF

In opposition to what he called "High tariff, penny pinching, isolationist policies," Wallace proposed an exchange of "postwar surpluses for goods, for peace and for improving the standard of living of so-called backward peoples."

Granting there must be co-operation between the United Nations after the war, Senator Wheeler told reporters he did not believe any such result could be reached through regimentation of free enterprise.

"As I read Vice-President Wallace's plan, farmers, labor and business must all be regimented after the war as well as during the war to accomplish the desired results," said Wheeler, a leading noninterventionist before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. "Germany tried that before the war, establishing the greatest bureaucracy the world had ever known."

Credits for Spanish

Students taking Spanish as a second foreign language option will be given credits for that subject in university entrance, Hon. H. G. Perry, Minister of Education, said today.

The action has been taken following representations by Mr. Perry to university authorities with a view to having Spanish made the equivalent of French, German or Latin for university entrance.

The minister has been advised that the senate of the university has now ordered "that until such time as Spanish is offered as a university subject, it be recognized as a subject for university entrance if taken as a second foreign language."

"We have been encouraging Spanish in the high schools," Mr. Perry said, adding the recognition granted the subject would help to stimulate its study.

The use of hybrid seed added 300,000,000 bushels to that nation's 1942 corn crop, the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates.

Many Victoria Stores Will Close Saturday

Hugh Francis, chairman of the retail merchants' section, Victoria Chamber of Commerce, said Monday the majority of downtown stores, including the larger department stores, would close Saturday, following New Year's Day. He said employees of a few stores might work Saturday morning to take stock, but the doors would not be open to the public. Mr. Francis said the reason for the holiday was merchandise shortages, caused by exceptionally heavy Christmas buying. Merchants here are following the lead of Vancouver retailers, who are expected to close Saturday, but there is no set policy here, Mr. Francis said.

The Hupa and Yurok Indians made twine from iris leaves.

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CHICAGO — Barylambda, a beast that can be described only as "something out of this world," is now represented in the Field Museum here by a practically complete skeleton that has just been mounted and placed on display. The big, bumbling beast, whose remains are found in western Colorado, lived in the days classified by geologists as late paleocene, which means very near the dawn of the age of mammals.

Paleontologists always get stuck when asked to describe Barylambda. He had an overall

length of between eight and nine feet, was four feet high at the hips and nearly as wide across. He was probably the biggest, burliest brute of his day.

His head was little and his tail astonishingly big. It is conjectured that he may have used it for a fifth leg, like present-day kangaroos. His teeth indicate that he was a vegetarian.

And there isn't any animal alive today that is even remotely related to him, or even faintly resembles him. Not even scientists would believe he had ever existed, if they didn't have his formidable bones to explain.

Victoria Man Safe After Train Wreck

PO. Writer Byron Price, 25, R.C.N.V.R., who was aboard the C.P.R. passenger train at Almonte, Ont., when a troop train crashed into it, wired his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Price, 2738 Roseberry Avenue, late Monday night that he was uninjured.

Born in Victoria he attended Oaklands and Victoria High Schools and joined the Navy at

the outbreak of war. He was stationed at Ottawa. He was prominent in sports here before the war, especially in basketball.

Nanaimo M.P. Cables Greetings From England

Season's greetings to the people of his Nanaimo constituency are contained in a cable from Great Britain from Capt. Alan Chambers, M.P. "Wishing you all a hard-working, hard-fighting victorious 1943," the message reads.



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Miss Katie Gaudin, Pioneer, Passes

Miss Kate Gaudin, member of a well-known pioneer family of Victoria, died in St. Joseph's Hospital Monday after a long illness. Funeral services will be conducted by Very Rev. S. H. Elliott, Dean of Columbia, at St. Joseph's B.C. Funeral Chapel Wednesday afternoon at 2, followed by interment at Ross Bay Cemetery.

"Katie" Gaudin, as she was affectionately known to a host of friends, was born in Jersey, Channel Islands, daughter of the late Capt. and Mrs. James Gaudin, and granddaughter of the late Alexander Anderson, a pioneer of the Hudson's Bay Company days. As an infant she was brought to Victoria by her parents, via the Horn, arriving here in 1883, and had resided in Victoria ever since.

Capt. Gaudin was with the Marine and Fisheries Department here, and for many years Miss Gaudin was associated with him in that work. A lover of flowers, she took a keen pride in her Victoria garden at her home, 1166 View Street. Afflicted with deafness for a number of years, Miss Gaudin was instrumental in organizing the Hard-of-Hearing Club here and was its first president.

She is survived by her sister, Mrs. James S. Harvey of Knapp Island, and her brother, J. R. P. Gaudin of Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, who is at present in Vancouver; a nephew, Major R. D. Harvey, Victoria lawyer, now serving in the army at Toronto, and two nieces, Mrs. Leonard Sanderson (nee Bond), at present staying at Knapp Island from Vancouver, and Mrs. J. Nagel of Detroit, Mich.

Coast Brigade W.A. Party Is Enjoyed By Youngsters

More than 100 children, all under 13 years of age, recaptured the Christmas spirit at the Y.W.C.A. Monday afternoon when the Women's Auxiliary to the B.C. Coast Brigade entertained. The little guests, all children of the men serving with the Brigade, were accompanied by their mothers.

Mrs. G. B. Elliott, president of the W.A., received the guests and later gave a message of greeting from the honorary president, Mrs. E. W. Hamber. Col. K. W. Hicks and Capt. Stevens called during the afternoon and extended their good wishes.

With Sgt. E. Blair as master of ceremonies, the program got off to a good start with community singing, assisted by Gnr. Norton Welch at the piano. Then Magician Ernie Crookford fascinated the youngsters with his sleight-of-hand. Santa Claus arrived later and distributed gifts to the children and also to their mothers. Every child over eight years of age also received a ticket to a movie.

Long tables, decorated with miniature Christmas trees, red streamers and greenery, were attractively laid with all sorts of good things, including individual bags of candy and dixie-cups of ice cream. The children were served first of all, then the adult members of the party.

Mrs. W. A. Fraser was the general convener of the party; Mrs. M. Aubrey Kent arranged the program; refreshments were conveyed by Mrs. C. Gonnason, assisted by Mrs. E. C. Thompson, Mrs. A. C. Haslam and Miss Hood; Mrs. H. C. Bray and Mrs. A. Gardiner assisted Mrs. Fraser with the invitations.

Clubwomen's News

Pas-a-Pas met recently at the home of Mrs. A. S. Christie, 1296 Richardson Street, president, Mrs. D. Gregson, in the chair. The devotion was taken by Mrs. Ken Simpson. Mrs. J. McAllister was welcomed as a guest and read several letters of appreciation received for parcels sent to England. A letter was also read from India thanking for a comfort received. Mrs. N. Grant reported on the financial success of the imaginary bazaar. Considerable time was then given in distributing the funds to different organizations of the church and other organizations. Miss Marnie Wilson delighted the guests with several piano selections, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. W. H. Wilson. The officers for the coming year will be: President, Mrs. D. Gregson; vice-president, Mrs. Mabel Johnson; second vice-president, Mrs. A. Geddes; secretary, Mrs. Jean Swallow; treasurer, Mrs. Robt. Crawford. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. Tucker, 1034 Oliver Street.

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Esquimalt Hospital Matron Is Bride Of Naval Doctor

A marriage of much interest both in Vancouver and Victoria was quietly solemnized at Knox United Church, Vancouver, on Christmas Eve at 8.30 when Miss Ellen Winifred Cameron, R.N., matron of Esquimalt Naval Hospital, became the bride of Surgeon-Lieut. Robert Donald Millar, R.C.N.V.R., of the hospital's medical staff.

The bride is the only daughter of Mrs. Fred Cameron, who is at present a guest at the Empress Hotel, and the late Mr. Fred Cameron, who was for many years, until his retirement, general agent, freight department, for the Canadian National Railway at Point Ellice. The bridegroom is the son of Dr. R. D. Millar of Vancouver and the late Mrs. Millar.

Rev. A. F. Munro performed the ceremony in the presence of immediate relatives of the couple. The bride, given in marriage by her mother, wore a smart suit of grey, with a model turban hat of cerise, violet and green tones. After their honeymoon, Surgeon-Lieut. and Mrs. Millar will make their home for the time being in Victoria.



FOSTER—WOOD
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster, 286 Island Highway, View Royal, wish to announce the marriage of their only son, Robert Ernest, now serving with the Canadian Ordnance Corps overseas, to Miss Jacqueline Wood, only daughter of the late Mr. J. Wood and Mrs. A. Wood of New York City. The marriage took place at St. Cuthbert's Church, West Hampstead, London, England, Dec. 19.

BREITENBACH—CHALLENGER
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Waggett, 2875 Gorge View Drive, announce the marriage of their only daughter, Miss Merle Challenger, to Carl Breitenbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Breitenbach, Royal Oak. The marriage was solemnized Christmas Eve at the home of Rev. Wm. Allan, the officiating minister. Mr. and Mrs. D. Davidson, Lady Smith, grandparent of the bride, were guests at the wedding.

Mrs. Verna A. Emmert of Port Angeles, sister of the groom, was matron of honor, and Mr. O. Linell of Victoria supported the groom.

CAMERON—SCHROEDER
Lighted tapers amid the Christmas decorations formed a seasonable background in James Bay United Church for the marriage Monday evening of Norma Marie, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Schroeder, Dallas Road, and Lieut. Alan Cameron, R.C.A., only son of Mr. John Cameron, Esquimalt, and the late Mr. Cameron. Rev. J. C. Jackson performed the ceremony and Miss Phyllis Dilworth, Vancouver, was at the organ. During the signing of the register, P.O. John Bray, R.C.N., sang "Thoughts Have Wings."

The bride was given in marriage by her father, and wore a floor-length gown of white brocade with a train, and a veil that fell from a Juliet cap trimmed with pearls. She carried a bouquet of butterfly roses, showered with white carnations and heather. Mrs. L. Smith and Miss Joan List, Vancouver, were the senior attendants, wearing frocks of blue and pale yellow georgette respectively, with headresses of net to match. Mrs. Smith carried a bouquet of pink snapdragons and carnations, while Miss List carried yellow chrysanthemums.

Little Patricia Kenyon, the bride's niece from Duncan, was flower-girl in a long frock of yellow silk and carried a colonial posy of tiny chrysanthemums and pink roses. LAC William Geddes, R.C.A.F., was groomsmen, and acting as ushers were the bride's brother, Mr. Wilfred Schroeder, and her brothers-in-law, Mr. L. Smith and Mr. W. Kenyon.

A reception was held at the Oak Bay Beach Hotel where Mrs. Cameron welcomed about 75 guests. The toast to the bride was proposed by Mr. Fred Davey, an old family friend.

Lieut. and Mrs. Cameron left for a honeymoon in an unknown destination before returning to Victoria, when the groom will report for duty with his unit. For going away, the bride wore a rose-beige ensemble with a fur coat. Other guests at the wedding from Vancouver included the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. O. Harkness; Mr. and Mrs. F. Butler, Mrs. J. Ball and Mrs. J. Towel.

L. Cpl. H. Brothers has returned to his regiment after spending Christmas leave at his home on Hampshire Road.



Mrs. Leighton McCarthy, centre, wife of the Canadian Minister, and Mrs. Thor Thors, wife of the Minister from Iceland, were among honorary guests of the World Fellowship Luncheon of the Y.W.C.A., Washington, which featured a talk by Mrs. Woodbury Willoughby, shown at left. Mrs. Willoughby discussed her experiences in escaping from Corregidor to Australia.

Social and Personal Housing Registry Groups Work of All Agencies

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. W. C. Woodward, together with the latter's private secretary, Miss Ruth Maclean, and their younger daughter, Miss Mary Twigg Woodward, returned to Government House this morning after spending the Christmas season in Vancouver. Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Longmore, G.C.B., D.S.O., A.O.C.-in-Chief of the Royal Air Force in the Middle East in 1940-41, who is visiting Western Air Command, and arrived in Victoria Monday, is a guest at Government House during his stay in the city.

Miss Sheila McDonough arrived from Vancouver Monday to be the guest of her grandparents, Hon. and Mrs. William C. Simmons, Cotswold Road, Uplands.

Mrs. Stephen Burnett, who has been in the U.S.A. for the last three months, has returned to the Empress Hotel for the holiday season.

Mrs. H. H. Smith of Vancouver will be among the guests coming over from Vancouver to attend the wedding of Miss Jean Mayhew and Lieut. J. A. Lawrason, Thursday, and will be the guest of Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Willis, Fort Street, during her stay here.

Mrs. W. S. Terry and Miss Ilace Terry, formerly of Victoria, returned to their home in Vancouver Monday after visiting the former's sons and daughters-in-law, Capt. and Mrs. Kingsley Terry, Bowker Avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. Goldwin Terry, Deal Street, over the holiday.

Over from Seattle for the children's ball at the Empress Hotel last evening were Jacqueline Elliott, who is staying with Mrs. Ashley Sparks, Monterey Avenue, and Betty Ferguson and Colleen Floyd who are the guests of Mrs. G. B. Elliott, 1510 Fort Street.

Miss Jean Mayhew, popular bride-elect of this month, was guest of honor this afternoon at the Empress Hotel at a luncheon party arranged by Miss Renee Watson. The bride-to-be received a corsage bouquet of gardenias, and the dainty table appointments were completed with place cards of tiny white bells tied with white ribbon. The guests included Mesdames Alan Mayhew, Logan Mayhew, C. McNeill, J. Coulter, R. Hammond, Jack Todd, and the Misses Patsy Watson, Betty-Lou Horton, Helen Woodcroft and Joey Wilson.



Frankie Whitten, famed English photographic model, practices rifle fire amid London's ruins. One of the first to join the Women's Home Defence Corps, she is an expert shot, and drove an ambulance during the London blitz. She holds the rank of sergeant.

The Victoria Golf Club, Oak Bay and the Royal Colwood Golf and Country Club will hold their usual New Year's Eve parties on Thursday. Dancing and the usual novelties in the way of favors are being arranged at both places. Tickets may be obtained from the respective secretaries or from members of either club.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Squire, with their son, Mr. James Squire, returned to their home on Newport Avenue Sunday from Calgary after attending the wedding in Christ Church Cathedral there of their daughter, Yvonne, to 2nd Lieut. C. Peter Rutherford. The groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Colin H. Rutherford, Beach Drive, returned to Victoria Monday from Calgary.

CQMS. Ware, S.A., and Mrs. Ware and son Sidney of upper Lynn Valley, Vancouver, formerly of this city, also Mrs. Ware's son Arthur Philbrook, R.C.N.V.R., of Prince Rupert, were guests during the Christmas season at the home of Mrs. Ware's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. France, Marine Drive, Sidney.

Miss Betty-Lou Horton entertained nearly 20 friends with a cocktail-party this afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell B. Horton, Uplands, in honor of Miss Jean Mayhew, whose marriage to Lieut. James A. Lawrason will take place Thursday. The guest of honor was presented with a corsage bouquet of rosebuds. Tall white tapers lighted an effective centerpiece of Calla lilies.

Attended by her sister, Mrs. Carol Konig, as matron-of-honor, and Miss Kathleen Walker as flowergirl, Margaret Ellen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tuning of Vancouver, will become the bride of Alexander Brownlie Stewart, son of Lieut. and Mrs. W. Stewart of Victoria, at a ceremony to be performed by Rev. J. Herdman in Robson Memorial Church, Vancouver, New Year's Eve at 8.

Among those who have taken lodges for the concert to be given by Jan and Mischel Cherniavsky at the Royal Victoria Theatre, Jan. 8 in aid of the Canadian Aid to Russia fund are: Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mayhew, Capt. and Mrs. H. W. Molson, Senator and Mrs. R. H. Green, Senator and Mrs. G. H. Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hamilton Harman, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spencer, Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Ride-wood, Mrs. Walter C. Nichol, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Angus, the Misses Angus, Miss Sara Spencer and Mr. Anthony Williams.

Designed to enlist aid in one of Canada's most essential and important phases of its home-front programs, the maximum use of all existing housing accommodation, the National Housing Registry, now located at 311 Central Building, will shortly move to larger ground-floor premises.

The registry, concerned only with local problems, will co-ordinate under government auspices the work of organizations which have for months voluntarily operated housing agencies. The committee personnel includes: Mrs. Paul Smith, Consumer Branch representative for British Columbia; Mrs. W. E. Rayfuse, chairman; Mrs. Helen Hurn, Miss Violet Wilson, Mrs. Dorothy Spurr, Dr. Olga Jardine, representing the Y.W.C.A.; Mr. Bartle, War-time Housing Committee; Alderman Hawkins, representing the City Council; Major Cuthbert Holmes, representing Chamber of Commerce.

NO COMPULSION

The registry will list every type of available housing accommodation in Victoria. There is, however, no compulsion in the plan. The all-out effort designed to conserve building materials and supplies for essential war industry is, according to officials, based solely on an appeal to loyalty and a fine understanding of Canadian hospitality.

The plan will go further than the mere finding of living quarters. Every attempt is being made to place the program above and beyond the commercial level by securing for newcomers and other residents of the city "home" surroundings, especially for girls in essential war industries.

Red Cross Corps Visits Patients

Members of the Canadian Red Cross Corps visited the Royal Canadian Navy Hospital at Esquimalt Christmas morning. Col. R. S. Worsley, honorary secretary of the Victoria City and District Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, accompanied the corps and conveyed the society's greetings and best wishes to the patients who were unfortunately enough to be confined to hospital on Christmas Day.

The members of No. 1 Detachment, Canadian Red Cross Corps, visited the various wards singing carols and presented each man with a ditty bag filled with useful gifts prepared by members of the I.O.D.E., Navy League and Red Cross Society.

Brig. and Mrs. L. Miller conveyed Red Cross Christmas greetings to patients in the Victoria Military Hospital, where ditty bags were given to the inmates.

Honorary treasurer of the Victoria City and District Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society acknowledges receipt of the following donations: Esquimalt Chapter O.E.S., \$10; "K" Unit, Ganges and North Salt Spring, \$144.54; Cliffside Unit, \$10.15; Cordova Bay Unit, \$10 (Prisoners of War Fund); Cordova Bay Unit, \$5.41 (Friendship Basket); Kyuquot Trollers Co-operative Association, \$150 (for Russian Relief); North Saanich and Sidney Unit, \$12; Inspector Owen's office, \$17 (collecting box); Empress Hotel, \$2.45 (collecting box); Metchosis Unit, \$10; Gordon Head Unit, \$41.50; donations, miscellaneous, \$42.72; Prisoners of War Fund, \$5; Greek Red Cross, \$12; donations at Superfluties Store, \$18.

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Relieve misery fast—externally. Rub on
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Care will be taken that those renting the accommodation, as well as those seeking it, will find the most suitable persons. They may "choose their own company." In making application for rooms, the applicant will list his nationality, present address, employment, any means of private conveyance, and weekly rental rates desired.

CAREFUL PLACEMENT

Those who have spare accommodation will list details of their preferences regarding persons with whom they would share their homes. Under the classification of preference is listed "nationality, occupation and other." Types of rooms, as well as a list of light housekeeping privileges and other important details are included in the data provided by prospective landladies.

While every type of living accommodation is sought, the registry committee has signified it is particularly anxious to find housekeeping rooms and rooms with breakfast, or two meals.

Steps are also taken to alleviate the problems of transportation, by providing, as far as possible, accommodation within walking distance of the place of employment.

By co-ordinating the work of societies and organizations which hitherto have individually operated housing agencies, the registry will, according to committee members, eliminate overlapping. In some cases in the past, applicants have secured lists from several organizations, and for a time removed from files many rooms before they were finally rented. In the organization of the National Housing Registry this particular problem will be eliminated.

Dockyard Group Hosts at Dance

The Dockyard Civil Service social committee held its first annual dinner and dance at the Shrine Auditorium, attended by over 400 persons.

With J. J. Comerford as chairman, the dinner speakers were Capt. Massey Golden, Capt. A. D. M. Curry and Mr. G. Aish. The toast to the King was proposed by Mr. J. Molson. During dinner, musical selections were given, those taking part were Mr. B. Howard, violin; Mrs. Ted Groves, piano; Mr. Groves, saxophone; Rodney Groves, clarinet, and Mr. J. Mossop, cornet.

Following the dinner the guests were entertained with a musical program. Mr. Palmer sang two songs; cornet solos were given by Mr. J. Mossop and comic songs by Mr. W. Creed, and to add variety, Miss Joy Merriman, ventriloquist, and "Torchy" delighted her listeners. Community singing led by Roy Brain brought the program to a close. Mr. Roy Allison made an excellent master of ceremonies.

A popular orchestra played for the dancing, which continued until 2 a.m. During the intermission pupils of Miss Betty Clair performed novelty tap numbers, which were enthusiastically received.

The dance committee responsible for the success of the party included Misses Vickie Lyle, June MacDonald, Lorraine Johnson and Jim Comerford, Roy Allison, Roy Brain, Harry Carter, Albert Lyle, Noel Parker.

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Canadian Girls Discover Shopping Hard in Britain

By DENISE DALTROFF

LONDON (CP)—All the mysteries of rationing as Britain knows it in the fourth year of war and all the discomforts of shopping during a time of leanly-stocked shelves are part and parcel of living for the girls of the R.C.A.F. women's division.

But, like almost everything else that has to do with living in London these girls seem to enjoy it, even if, for those who have rented flats, it means they must spend their Saturday afternoons shopping for their rations.

Since the early blackout hour has been in force (the winter blackout when the sun goes down early)—the shops in the centre of London have been closing at 4 o'clock and those in the suburbs home from work on Saturdays after a noon meal downtown.

English people, down through the years, have become accustomed to such dealers' names as "Jones, the fruiterer" and "Smith, the poultryer" and "Brown, the ironmonger." To the Canadians, however, such names are strange but delightful.

MEAT EXPOSED

Section Officer Nancy Smith of Calgary was very surprised to find the meat in the butcher shops hanging up uncovered.

"At home it's always kept under the counter in glass cases," she said.

At first the girls found it a little difficult to get a nice ration of meat because by Saturday afternoon most butchers have sold all their best stock. Time has changed that.

"Now the butcher knows we are coming and they keep us something," said Sgt. Mary Ward of Shawinigan Falls, Que.

Sgt. Ward looks after the food problems of the girls. "The quantity we get," she said, "is equal to civilian rations except we get slightly more meat and have no coupons for sweets. We buy these from the Auxiliary Services."

All the girls I visited at headquarters agreed they had plenty to eat, especially as they always have their midday meal at restaurants or snack bars and often are out for evening meals, too, though they like to go home and pitch in on getting their own supper sometimes.

"Eating out," said LAW, Peggy Douglas of Winnipeg, "is inclined to get rather monotonous when you do too much of it."

PARCELS WELCOMED

Parcels from home are always welcome and the girls said they receive in them the sort of things they miss over here.

Confirming the fact that supplies really are ample even if it takes some tall shopping to get some things, is the matter of the girls' weight. All of them have put on pounds and their uniforms are getting tight for them. It would not do to mention her name, of course, but one girl told me she had put on 13 pounds in one month.

"I've never eaten so much as I do here," said AW, Eileen Hasset of Vancouver.

ENGAGEMENTS

WARD—HEALEY

Mr. and Mrs. T. Healey, Colquitz, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Gladys May, to Mr. Donald G. Ward, second son of Mrs. C. Ward, 114 Eberts Street, and the late J. T. Ward. The wedding will take place in January.

The following Druggists of Victoria and District are A.I.D. Stores—Watch for Thursday's Advertisements in this paper:

- Aarons' Drug Store, Victoria, G 9414
- Bartling's Drug Store, Victoria, B 1212
- Ferrwood Pharmacy, Victoria, G 2718
- Gorge Pharmacy, Victoria, E 7707
- Hillside Pharmacy, Victoria, G 1408
- Jubilee Pharmacy, Victoria, E 8911
- Modern Pharmacy, Victoria, G 1531
- Monks-Terry Drug Store, Victoria, E 1187
- Merrifield & Dack, Victoria, G 3032
- Newport Pharmacy, Victoria, G 5123
- J. A. Peasey, Victoria, E 3211
- Thos. Sholl Ltd., Victoria, G 1618
- Victoria Pharmacy, Victoria, G 1811
- Williams' Pharmacy, Victoria, G 3811
- S. A. Clement, Chemist, 123 Gen. L. Baul, Sidney, 421.

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Charming Costumes Win Prizes At Children's Ball



Tiny Lynne Marie Gibson, harem beauty, who with 22-month-old Frankie Baylis, as Cupid, led the grand march.



Best national over seven, Lloyd Gover, Cossack, and Elizabeth Hamilton as a prim mid-Victorian.



Most original, Louise Naysmith, Christmas tree, Ann Elisabeth Lisco as bird girl and Murray McIntosh, bridegroom.



Best comics, Carol Ann Jones as Aunt Jemima and Michael Ritchie, as a ragged urchin.

The Sam Browne belt, with its shoulder-strap for carrying equipment, was invented by British General Browne after he had lost an arm in the Indian Mutiny of '57.

Woods that burn well while still green include beech, Douglas fir, red and white spruces, tamarack, lodgepole and red pines, black locust, and ashes (except black ash).

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734 FORT ST.
CASH AND CARRY VALUES FOR WEDNESDAY MORNING AND ALL DAY THURSDAY

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TURKEYS

GRADE "A"	GRADE "B"
42 ^c lb.	39 ^c lb.

All Birds Dressed Free of Charge

GEESSE FRESH 32^c
DUCKS FRESH 35^c
BREAKFAST SAUSAGE Pure Pork, lb, 28^c

GINGER ALE Carton of 12 pints \$1.95
PLUS 36c DEPOSIT ON EMPTIES.

GRAPEFRUIT TEXAS, 4 for 19^c
BRUSSELS SPROUTS Per lb. 17^c
CAULIFLOWER Each 17^c
ONIONS OKANAGAN, No. 1, 7 lbs. 25^c
POPPING CORN 2 lbs. 25^c
BUTTER First grade 41^c Second grade 38^c

Butter Coupons 1 and 2 Not Good After Jan. 3
Tea, Coffee and Sugar Coupons 9 and 10 Redeemable Now

STORE CLOSED WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AND ALL DAY SATURDAY

Christmas Gift Preview
NEW STOCK LARGE SELECTION
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In colorful array Victoria's sub-sub-debs and their youthful escorts danced in the Crystal ballroom of the Empress Hotel last night at the annual children's ball, presented by the Navy League Chapter, I.O.D.E. Games, old-fashioned dances and novelty numbers were interspersed with modern tunes for the benefit of the young guests, who held sway between 7 and 9.

LED-GRAND MARCH

High spot of the evening was the grand march, led by 22-month-old Frankie Baylis as Cupid, whose partner was pretty little Marguerite Sylvia Finemore, aged 2½, who came to the ball as a valentine. Following judging of the costumes, the tiny pair led the guests through the lounge to the dining-room for supper, after which dancing was continued by the older guests.

War's influence was noted in some of the costumes, among them, Mavis Barnes as a soldier, in red, white and blue uniform, and Patsy Garrard, as a Red Cross nurse. In addition to the prizewinners, other outstanding costumes were worn by Patsy Sparks, who came as Uncle Sam, replete with stars, stripes and spangled top hat, and Jacqueline Mackie and Frances Farmer as peasant girls. The former was in Russian garb and the latter in Hungarian, both replete with multi-colored embroidery and elaborate headresses. Young Elmar Brynjolfson came as a mountie, his uniform a diminutive replica of the real thing.

Assisting Mrs. J. L. Ford, regent of Navy League Chapter, I.O.D.E., in receiving the guests were: Mrs. Aubrey Kent, Mrs. Evan Hanbury, Mrs. T. McGimpsey, Mrs. A. W. Carter, Mrs. Allen Wilson Cliffe and Miss June Walker.

THE PRIZEWINNERS

Judges of the costumes were: Mrs. Chas. E. Wilson, Mr. Stewart Clark and Mr. L. Bullock-Webster, who awarded prizes to the following:

Best at dance, girl, Lynne Marie Gibson, as a harem girl; boy, Frankie Baylis as Cupid.
Best historical, or national, under seven, girl, Heather Duncan, as Flora Macdonald, whose costume Maj. Bullock Webster cited in making the awards as being "absolutely authentic"; boy, Roger Bernard, as a kilted Scot; over seven, girl, Elizabeth Hamilton, as a mid-Victorian lady, and Lloyd Gover as a Russian. Second prizes in this class went to Julie Scrutin and Peter Dawe as an Elizabethan prince and princess.

Best comic under seven years was Carol Jones, as Aunt Jemima, and Michael Ritchie as a newsboy.

Most original characters under seven were: Elizabeth Ann Bisco, as a bird girl, and Robin Hethey as Robin Hood; over seven, Louise Naysmith as a Christmas tree, and Murray McIntosh as a bridegroom, in top hat, white tie and tails.



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Julie Scrutin and Peter Dawe, second prizewinners in the national group.

Mrs. R. Shanks, Mrs. A. D. Wiltier, Mrs. J. L. Ford, Mrs. G. W. Peacock, Mrs. P. E. George, Mrs. R. Renfrew, Mrs. A. Stone, Mrs. E. Lanhelm, Mrs. John Morrison, Mrs. Aubrey Kent, Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Birchill, Mrs. G. Elliott, Mrs. D. W. Carter, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Brynjolfson, Miss Gerry Kent and Miss Margaret George.

Rita Hayworth to Wed Victor Mature

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Screen actress Rita Hayworth announces she and actor Victor Mature plan to marry when they become free from their respective spouses—and the war is over.

Miss Hayworth's divorce from Edward Judson, wealthy oil man, becomes final next May. Mature, now stationed in the east with the coastguard, is married to Martha Kemp, former wife of the late orchestra leader, Hal Kemp. She has announced, however, that she expects to establish a Nevada residence shortly in order to obtain a divorce.

Women's Union of First Baptist Church met recently, president, Mrs. M. Richardson, in the chair. The devotional was taken by Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Parker. Mrs. W. P. Freeman presented news from mission fields in India and Bolivia. An impressive candle lighting ceremony was led by Mrs. W. P. Freeman.

Notice to Householders Who Have BUTTER ON HAND

The law requires that if you have on hand more than one pound of butter for each person in your household you must now make a report of your supply on a form similar to that below. (Make out this form yourself.)

You must then send this report to your nearest Local Ration Board and accompany it with Brown Coupons (Nos. 1 to 11 inclusive) from your ration book to cover the amount of butter you have in excess of one pound per person. (Each coupon represents ½ pound of butter.)

Declarant's report as at December 21, 1942, of butter on hand over 1 lb. per person

Ration Book Prefix and Number _____

Name of Declarant _____

Address _____ (Street) _____ (City or Town) _____ (Province)

1. No. of persons including myself, family, servants and boarders in household _____ Their Ration Book Prefixes and Nos. _____

2. Butter in our possession or control _____ lbs.

3. Less 1 lb. per person as above (see item 1) _____ lbs.

4. _____ lbs. for which butter coupons must be surrendered (see item 5)

5. Butter coupons for surrender (see item 4) 1 butter coupon for each one-half lb. _____ Coupons.

6. Deduct butter coupons (Nos. 1-11) surrendered herewith _____ Coupons.

7. Butter coupons owing by this household _____ Coupons.

I, the undersigned, hereby declare the above statements to be true and correct and I undertake to deliver to my Local Ration Board any butter coupons owing as above set out, as and when such coupons are issued to me and the members of my household.

Dated _____ 194 _____ Declarant's Signature _____

Householders who do not comply with this regulation are liable to prosecution for hoarding.

THE WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD

Royal Bank Figures Reach New High

The steadily mounting tempo of Canadian business is strikingly reflected in the annual balance sheet just issued by The Royal Bank of Canada for the year ending Nov. 30.

Total assets are well over the billion dollar mark and now stand at \$1,291,615,947, the highest point ever reached in the history of the bank.

Deposits by the public, topping the billion dollar mark, have likewise reached an all-time high. The liquid position has been still further strengthened with quickly realizable assets representing 75.44 per cent of the bank's liabilities to the public. From point of view of aggregate assets and liquidity this year's statement is the most impressive ever issued by the bank.

TOTAL ASSETS UP

Total assets have increased by more than \$216,000,000 over the figure attained the previous year. Liquid assets show marked expansion and aggregate \$906,440,239 as compared with \$681,918,309 a year ago. Liquid assets include Dominion and Provincial government securities, \$519,801,345, as compared with \$371,231,959 the previous year; United States and British government securities, \$46,029,701, as compared with the previous total of \$6,912,650, while cash on hand and deposits with the Bank of Canada, other bank balances are \$261,884,475, up \$27,805,766.

Current loans in Canada stand at \$255,148,401, an increase of \$13,365,000. It is understood advances made by the bank to assist purchasers of the recent Victory Bond issue account for this increase and that ordinary commercial borrowings are somewhat lower. The explanation is that activities of many businesses have been diverted to war production, resulting in rapid turnover and prompt settlement of accounts; furthermore, inventories are, generally speaking, lower. As a consequence many concerns find it unnecessary to borrow from the banks.

DEPOSITS HIGHER

Current loans outside Canada are down slightly over \$16,000,000. Total deposits are higher by \$225,000,000 and now stand at \$1,181,217,192. Dominion government deposits at \$144,192,823, are substantially higher and this is attributed to the government depositing with the banks the proceeds of the recent Victory Loan. It is interesting to note that despite substantial withdrawals by the public for the purchase of Victory Bonds, public deposits (excluding government deposits) have increased from \$902,152,676 to \$1,002,567,403.

After providing for Dominion government taxes amounting to \$2,014,166 and making appropriations for bad and doubtful debts, profits for the year amounted to \$3,390,123, which represents a slight reduction as compared with the previous year's figures. From these profits dividends amounting to \$2,625,000 were paid, \$315,000 appropriated for the pension fund and \$400,000 for bank premises. The sum of \$50,123 was carried forward to the balance of profit and loss account which now stands at \$3,259,198.

The annual general meeting of shareholders will be held at the head office of the bank at 11 a.m. on Jan. 14, 1943.

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Flying 'Thin Man'



Weight is what S. Sgt. James Reynolds, above, wants most. He was a crew member of the Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker plane which crashed recently in the south Pacific. Reynolds lost 40 pounds of weight between the time of the crash and his rescue from a Pacific island and is now at a Hamilton Field, Calif., base hospital resting up for return to active duty.

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Latest Enlistments In R.C.A.F. Army

Among the latest recruits to enter the R.C.A.F., the Active Army, and the C.W.A.C. are the following Victorians:
R.C.A.F.—Charles L. Lake, 1280 Newport Avenue; Walter A. Benson, 239 Stormont Road; Stanley Hendry, Royal Oak; Robert Gordon Knowles, 3831 Rowland Avenue; Norman G. Wharf, 332 Obed Avenue; G. W. E. Wharf, 332 Obed Avenue; Frank J. Parsons, 1624 Monterey Avenue; Lewis H. Hughes, 928 Island Road; G. F. Gould, 331 Quebec Street; Douglas F. Crowe, 880 Colville Road, Cadboro Bay; Bernard Hill, 1344 Lang Street; Charles L. Read, 2421 Florence Street; W. F. Oldfield, 2738 Graham Street; Charles O. Blasius, 46 Turner Street.

Army—Carlyle C. Clark, 1809 Crescent Road; Guildford J. Askey, 224 Battleford Avenue; Joseph E. Wilkinson, 320 Walter Avenue; Walter Ralph Bourque, 1201 Roslyn Road.

C.W.A.C.—Annie K. Gyles, 2763 Cadboro Bay Road; Isabel F. Moore, 1114 Ormond Street; Mary K. Smith, 125 Clarence Street; Dorothy M. Clark, 641 Chatham Street.

Bishop Sees Need Of Social Change

Describing the present social and economic order as "evil in its principles and results," Bishop H. E. Sexton told the Gyró Club on Monday that if persons do not face questions of social change the world is headed for a bloody revolution.

While the bishop warned the great question now was to win the war, he said the question of second importance was the winning of the peace and the shaping of the postwar world.

"Thoughtful men all over the world are coming to the conclusion that the present social and economic order ought not to continue," he said.

He described the present order as an acquisitive society, with each member forced to compete with his neighbor for a living. Competition itself, he said, was not evil, but competition for private profit was wrong.

Instead of the present system in which each employer, merchant and workman tries to get as much as he can for himself, the bishop foresaw a system in which community service was the motivating force.

"We realize," he said, "that what the old world wants today is a practical Christianity."

SLUMS, UNEMPLOYMENT

Fruits of the present social order were slums, unemployment, inequalities of wealth, insecurity, because of economic booms and depressions and class distinctions based on wealth, he said.

"We have reached the parting of the ways," he said. "I hope and pray all men of good will will be minded to take a path which will take them away from everything that is selfish to that which is unselfish."

The example of complete unselfishness is to be found in Him Who was born on the first Christmas Day.

Bishop Sexton said he believed if good will circulated throughout the country, a bloody revolution could be staved off, but social change could no more be stopped than the beating of waves on the seashore.

Victoria Boy Killed With U.S. Air Force

Master Sgt. Gnr. Stewart R. Saunders, son of Mrs. E. M. Saunders, High Street, Strawberry Vale, and the late Mrs. Saunders, was killed in action in the western European area, according to word received today from Washington, D.C.

Master Sgt. Gnr. Saunders was born in Calgary and came to Victoria in 1910. He attended Boys' Central School and in 1916 went overseas with the 103rd Battalion, C.E.F. On his return to Victoria after the armistice he was employed by the Sidney Roofing and Paper Co. In 1928 he went to California and joined the United States artillery. He served in the Philippines and later transferred to the U.S. Army Air Corps.

Sgt. Saunders is survived by his mother and one brother, Arthur J. Saunders.

Civil Control Again For Hawaii

WASHINGTON (AP)—Navy Secretary Frank Knox said today "a complete satisfactory formula" has been worked out for restoring a measure of civil control in the Territory of Hawaii, which was placed under military government following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor Dec. 7, 1941. Final arrangements for taking this step would be "announced shortly."

The South American beverage, yerba mate, may gain in popularity here due to restrictions on tea.



Down the railroad to Rostov Russian troops are rolling in an offensive aimed at cutting off German troops in the Stalingrad and Caucasus areas. Map shows how twin Soviet thrusts to Rostov might chop up the enemy-held area.

Stricken Soprano Plucky in Fight To Regain Health

By ADELAIDE KERR

NEW YORK (CP)—Marjorie Lawrence has uncovered one of the world's greatest secrets—the secret of defeating defeat. A year and a half ago the great Australian-born soprano closed the Metropolitan Opera season in a round of bravos and applause.

A few weeks later she awoke one morning in Mexico City, paralyzed from the waist down. But recently she sat on the stage of New York's Town Hall to pour out her golden voice in concert and to receive the critics' warm praise. Besides, she is now able to walk a few steps, leaning on her husband's arm.

"What is the secret of her victory over defeat?" Her husband, Dr. Thomas King, a tall, dark-haired, New Yorker can tell you something about it.

"It's been due to her grit and determination and faith," he said. "She had the grit to go through her exercises day after day, month after month. If all patients similarly afflicted had that kind of determination and faith, more than half of them would be up and around."

Vivid tawny-haired Miss Lawrence added something to that. "Faith and prayer are the main factors," she said with a warm smile. "I could hear people saying it was hopeless. So when things looked blackest, we turned to God. I had faith that He would help me. And He has."

Two months after Miss Lawrence became paralyzed, Dr. King took her to Minneapolis for treatment by her countrywoman, Sister Elizabeth Kenny, who combats the effects of infantile paralysis with exercise and manipulation.

"Then began the long, hard battle to defeat defeat. Months passed in an unflinching daily program of exercise and treatment. Dr. King rose every morning at six to care for Miss Lawrence and give her her exercises before he hurried off to the hospital for study."

Marjorie Lawrence refused to be an invalid. She had herself dressed every morning and took her place in the household—in a wheelchair. She banished self-pity and sympathy.

Early in the battle she turned back to music. Fifteen minutes a day. A half hour. An hour. "I knew I had to exert every effort," she said. "And song was my way. It wasn't easy to sing my opera roles sitting down. And the work I did, learning to do it, strengthened my back."

SANG FOR CHRISTMAS

Six months after Miss Lawrence was stricken her golden voice was heard for the first time in public in the Christmas service of a church in Florida, where she had gone for the sun. After that she sang once in radio and several times at benefit performances before her Town Hall concert. And more plans, which she does not wish to discuss, are in the offing.

"There are black days, naturally," Miss Lawrence said. "But my constant thought is not to waste effort on the past, but to look to the future. People tell you it's hopeless. Don't believe it. Go right ahead."

They'll Do It Every Time



Back of Army, Russians Build Homes In Ruins

By EZRA VILENSKY

MOSCOW—I spent several months as war correspondent with the Red Army. I have been in retreats and advances. I have seen the ruin of happiness and prosperity of peaceful non-combatants who were forced to leave their homes and flee eastward to escape falling into German hands. Old folk, women, children fled from the conflagration of war. Often enough they were unable to reach a train or secure a motor car or other vehicle and escaped on foot, taking with them only what they could carry on their backs.

I cannot forget two women I met on the roads of the Ukraine near Nikolayev. One was old and bent and withered, the other young. The old woman was borne down beneath the weight of a heavy bundle. All the young woman carried was a basin. I was perplexed—why did the young woman leave the whole burden to the old one? As my car drew level with them I saw the younger woman was in an advanced state of pregnancy. She had only a week or two to go until her time. So that was why the mother was carrying their last possessions. And daughter—she was carrying what she might need most of all—a basin in which to wash her newborn infant when it came. She might give birth on the road in between two villages.

I saw what becomes of towns and villages when they have fallen into German hands. The Germans destroyed houses with shells and bombs. They set fire to them in order to intimidate the population or as reprisal for guerrilla raids.

VILLAGES SHEER RUINS

The other day I visited the central front. Soviet troops were moving westward liberating Russian towns and villages. But these were no longer inhabited places—they were sheer ruins. Where once stood prosperous villages nothing but charred chimneys stacks starkly protruded. These villages were destroyed, not in the height of battle. They were burned down by the Germans as they retreated under blows of the Red Army and they were still smoldering as we entered them.

Where would the remaining inhabitants live? Where would the people who had retired into the interior and would now return to their ruined homes find a roof?

The noncombatant population returns to the liberated regions to find nothing but devastated waste. Peasants knock together a ramshackle hut where they take refuge nights while they build themselves new houses. And this is in the height of winter amid bitter Russian frosts. Red army men do all they can to help them. Gifts come from inhabitants of western parts of the country. Nevertheless the need of these returned refugees is great. They have neither warm clothing nor adequate food, neither household utensils nor essential medicines. The problem of transport to devastated war zones is difficult and the Germans looted all they could lay hands on.

The Soviet people and the Soviet government are rendering immense assistance to the liberated regions. But it is not easy for the Soviet people in this war without precedent in history to supply all the needs of those who have suffered from German occupation. It is therefore understandable with what gratitude our people learned of the wide movement started abroad in aid of the Russian civilian population. Assistance given by the people of

Bank of Toronto Has Many Increases

The 87th annual balance sheet of the Bank of Toronto for the year ending Nov. 30, shows an increase of \$9,138,322 in deposits from the public which total \$154,833,592. Noninterest-bearing deposits are up \$5,693,748, and interest-bearing deposits are also higher by \$3,444,574, notwithstanding the heavy withdrawals by depositors for investment during the year in Victory Loan Bonds. The Dominion government deposit is up \$24,409,201, and provincial government deposits show an increase of \$107,383.

Liquid assets amount to \$144,632,553, an increase of \$32,334,585, and are equal to 73.55 per cent of all liabilities to the public. Dominion and provincial securities, which mature within two years are up \$30,568,634, while those of a slightly longer date are higher by \$6,529,773. A reduction of \$742,366 is shown in other securities, a net increase during the year of \$36,356,040.

Commercial loans show an increase of \$2,749,255, and amount to \$63,009,888, while municipal loans at \$3,001,444 are down \$436,726.

Profits before federal taxes are \$38,957 higher but after providing for increased federal taxes, staff pension fund and all other expenses, and making full provision for bad and doubtful debts, amount to \$1,214,729, a decrease of \$156,826. After providing \$250,000 for depreciation on bank premises and paying the usual dividend at the rate of 10 per cent on the par value of the shares, the balance at credit of profit and loss account is now \$660,530, a transfer of \$2,000,000 having been made from profit and loss account to rest account.

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Scouts Collecting

The Scouts and Cubs of the Victoria district will collect magazines for the armed forces and the merchant marine Jan. 9. Persons who have any are asked to tie them in bundles and leave them on their verandas so that they can be picked up.

There will be many places that cannot be covered by the Scouts as there are not enough boys to cover the entire city, but the depots where magazines may be left are: Scout Halls on Chester Street, Granite Street and at the corner of Cranmore and Hampshire Roads, 1034 Johnson Street, church hall of Church of Our Lord, Cadboro Bay Hall, Scout

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Sports Mirror

By ART STOTT

WHEN A MAN plunges head first from a springboard into a pool, that's a dive, according to the dictionary definition. When he can do it neatly, that's practice. When he can execute a couple of spins before he hits the water, that's skill.

And when he can swing and rotate on a couple of planes at once, that's science. Add to that virility, grace and the sureness of an acrobat and you have Al Patnik.

Al, Ohio State boy who retired from competitive lists in 1941 with a string of four national U.S. championships to his credit, gave Victoria a new appreciation of springboard work at the Crystal Garden Saturday afternoon and night. He came across from Seattle, where he now represents a leading U.S. wedding shop following graduation as a welder.

Patnik says he is getting fat, is badly out of shape. Maybe. But he put on an unpublishable performance which bettered anything that has been seen before in the local pool and possibly the entire northwest.

Diving, like airplane design, is riding a surge of progress. Springboard performers of five or 10 years ago are relatively as obsolete as the crates the R.A.F. flew in the last war. And Patnik, although he has been out of serious competition for well over a season proves that point.

To the layman he puts on a spectacular show. His twisting somersaults are marvelous, but like the conjurer's hands, they're too fast to see.

To those who know the game, he's near perfection in his specialized field.

Ten years ago the boys were doing a half-gainer-half twist and patting themselves on the back when they made it. It was a pretty good dive then. At hits a twisting gainer and a half. That's not just three times as hard as the former. It's a dive that was virtually figured impossible then. He rolls out of his two-and-one-half front at board level as easily as peas roll off a knife. He flips through a twisting one-and-one-half back somersault as easily as Churchill tosses an epithet at Hitler. Tough dives in any man's company appear child's play to him.

And he speaks as if he were a conservative in his sport. Sammy Lee, he'll tell you, describing the

minute Korean who is coming up as California's main hope, is using three and one-half fronts, two and one-half gainers, two and one-half backs and two and one-half cut-aways in competition. But, insists Patnik, a fellow has to be certain of his consistency in competition. That's why Al held himself down to a half dozen options which only a dozen divers in the world can do well.

"We haven't got our mechanics down perfectly enough yet for the really hard ones," Patnik says. How did he get to the top?

He had a good coach, he tells you.

"I started diving at 17 in a Pittsburgh high school and a fellow who saw me thought he could get me into State," he explains.

He went down for a tryout. The coach watched him go through his routine and called him off the board.

"He told me to let him see me take three steps and a hurdle," Al explains. (The hurdle is the high jump a diver takes before he leaves the board.) "After that I stayed on the ground a few weeks. Until I got what he wanted."

The study in mechanics paid dividends. Now, Patnik says, he can tell exactly what he has to do with a dive as soon as he comes down for the hurdle.

At 26 he's satisfied to be out of competition. He hasn't time to work out two hours a day six days a week.

"You've got to quit sometime," he explains and admits he'd just as soon quit at the top. Just was conditions stopped him from adding just another first place in three-metre Olympic records to the credit of the United States.

He's so good it's hard to praise him convincingly. He doesn't seem to have heard the word conceit. To talk to him he's just another guy called Joe who'd as soon discuss generalities as diving and who likes to travel around with his mother—who, charming as she is, is reported to be his severest critic.

The relative few who saw Patnik dive Saturday owe one more debt to George Athans, who, himself, has given some mighty fine exhibitions here and who is returning to the springboard game after an enforced layoff from an multiple arm fracture. If George hadn't invited him for Christmas dinner, he wouldn't have come over. And if he can make another trip, Jack Speck, manager of the Garden, hopes to let more people in on a good thing which lack of notice reserved as a Christmas surprise for a privileged few.

May Permit Amateur Hockey Stars to Play One Pro Game

MONTREAL (CP)—The central committee of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association Monday adopted a recommendation to be forwarded to C.A.H.A. executives permitting players with C.A.H.A. cards to be borrowed on occasion by National Hockey League clubs without affecting their C.A.H.A. standing.

The recommendation was one of those passed by a central committee in a meeting that replaces the semi-annual meeting of the C.A.H.A. Other recommendations were placed in the hands of sub-committees who were to report back to the main body when the meeting was reconvened today.

All recommendations of the central committee are subject to the approval of the executive.

The recommendation concerning N.H.L. performances said that "professional teams can borrow players for one game subject to approval of the C.A.H.A. president and also the branch president and the club without affecting the amateur status of the player."

Another resolution passed urged the executive to allow junior teams to strengthen their line-ups to the extent of four players from their own leagues or groups when they prepare for Memorial Cup playdowns, except in the case of teams from Manitoba and Ontario who would be allowed only two strengthening players each.

PLAYOFF DATES
Playoff dates for Allan and Memorial Cup games are expected to be discussed at committee meetings. The C.A.H.A. 1943 annual meeting was set for Port Arthur on dates yet to be decided.

Steve Woolchy, now with St. Catharines seniors, was granted a transfer from Port Arthur. Bruce McArthur of Port Arthur, suspended last winter for an attack on a referee, was cleared on the suspension. He is now in the navy. Suspension against Alex Sinclair in the same case will remain in effect until Feb. 15.

Lowly Rangers Meet Boston on Home Ice

Two teams whose recent records are diametrically opposite clash in the only National Hockey League contest scheduled tonight.

The lone engagement matches Boston Bruins, who share the league lead with Toronto Maple Leafs, and the injury-stricken New York Rangers, 13 points farther back in last place.

Bruins won four of five previous contests against Rangers this season, but lost their last two games while Rangers were winning two straight despite loss of centre Phil Watson and defenceman Gord Davidson. Before that, the Boston club triumphed in 11 of their first 21 games while Rangers salvaged only four of 18.

The game will be played in Boston Garden where Bruins have won eight and tied two of their 10 games on home ice. Rangers, on the other hand, will be seeking to extend their record of scoring in 126 consecutive games.

Pressure for such a session has been growing for several days with Edward G. Barrow of New York Yankees in the American League and William E. Benswanger of Pittsburgh Pirates and Warren Giles of Cincinnati Reds in the National League all urging steps be taken to end the confusion.

Their requests were made to the presidents of the two leagues. Ford Frick in the National and William Harridge in the American, and also to Commissioner Kenesaw M. Landis, who would have the responsibility for calling a joint meeting.

Frick said Monday, after receiving a call from Benswanger and a wire from Giles, he agreed "all clubs should work in unison and it would be a good idea to arrive at a conclusion as soon as possible."

Various baseball leaders said they believed Landis would call them together as soon as a meeting could be arranged. At the present time a joint session is scheduled for the second week in February in New York, but it now appears the need for revising training plans makes this date too late.

MONTREAL (CP)—Rookie Maurice Richard's injury in Sunday night's game against Boston was another severe blow to Canadiens.

Tommy Gorman announced Monday that Richard, one of the prize rookie pickings of the season, suffered a fractured bone in his right ankle that will likely keep him out of play for the rest of the National Hockey League season.

Canine Sentinel



French poodle scales fence to limber up for guard duty at Mitchell Field, L.I. Dogs are additional guarantees against trespassing on army air base.

Canadian Sport Snapshots

Buzinski Tells Story

By CHARLES EDWARDS
TORONTO (CP)—After goalie Steve Buzinski allowed 35 goals in nine National Hockey League games this season, New York Rangers replaced him with Jimmy Frank. The jump from Saskatchewan intermediate ranks to the majors was too much for Steve, but he gives his side of the story in a letter to Jim Greenblatt, editor of the Swift Current, Sask., Sun. "These New York sports writers are really something to fear," he said. "The biggest trouble at the start was I was never allowed to steady down. The opposition put on the pressure and the Rangers, with all the rookies, didn't seem to be able to get play out of our defensive zones."

Stories of strange occurrences in hockey's minor leagues are numerous. Elmer McArthur, a couple of "Monday-morning quarterbacks," Sammy naturally is in favor of the western code entirely. After all he played out side wing for Regina Rough Riders before joining the R.C.A.F. Ken, late of Hamilton as well as Toronto, has been around the football circuit a bit himself, sometimes as a player, sometimes as a referee and quite often in the press box in the interests of a Toronto paper. Now he's with the Public Relations Division.

Flt. Lt. Tommy Walker of Toronto and FO. Jerry Monty of Montreal have had a lot of travels together. Tommy as a top-line Canadian swimmer, Jerry as a high and fancy diver. Not long ago they found themselves England-bound together and in various places in England they've been making considerable splash in whatever pools were available.

Tommy seems to be swimming "easier than ever," said Monty. Tommy has a brilliant record as a swim coach and was a Canadian Olympian of 1928, a British Empire Games participant in 1930 and coached the Canadian Olympians of 1932. Jerry was on the British Empire team of 1932, but was never an Olympian. "Allie Phillips of Toronto was my main trouble—so very much better," he said by way of explanation.

PLAYS FIELD HOCKEY
Monty has dabbled about with many sports with considerable success. He tried water polo, boxing, and played Big Four football with Montreal. Now—believe it or not—he's playing field hockey and says don't laugh because it's a rougher game the way they play it in England.

High dive or power dive Flt. Lt. Johnny Tett, D.F.C., of Toronto, can handle the situation. In peacetime he was one of Canada's finest divers, and at one time held the national high board title. His quality as a bomber pilot came out one night when he was heading toward Essen and refused to turn back just because one of his engines "packed up." He dropped his cargo on Essen and then headed home.

Sgt. Pierre (Pepe) Trudeau of Outremont, Que., has a job now of sharpshooting with machine guns from the turret of a Wellington bomber, but he has a pretty sharp eye when it comes to firing hockey goals, as Montreal hockey fans will remember. Recently he showed he is just as alert in the gun turret. With his crew he was sent off to bomb Germany when ME109s came up to attack the daylight bombers. Trudeau drew an accurate bead on one German fighter and sent it crashing to earth.

In peacetime Pepe played right wing for Mont St. Louis hockey team last winter, while completing his training, managed to get in some hockey.

NEW YORK (CP)—Johnny Greco, 137, Montreal, outpointed Gene Johnson, 141, New York (8).

Navy Smother Nanaimo In Rugged Hockey Battle

Soldier Hoopsters Meet Varsity Team; Local Flyers Win

In the second intercity basketball game in two nights, Army hoopsters will play Varsity Thunderbirds at the Willows Sports Centre tonight. Game time is 8:30 with a preliminary at 7:30.

In second place in the Mainland Intercity League, the average age of the Varsity roster is only 19 years. The kids are up in the running because of speed and stamina.

Varsity will strip the following players: Harry Franklin and Art Johnson, guards; Harry Kermod, centre; Art Barton and Sandy Robertson, forwards; Subs: Gordie Sykes, Ollie Bakken, Art Stillwell, Dave Howard, Bruce Yorks, Pete McGeer and Paddy Westcott.

Army will be out with Art Chapman, Doug Peden, Ritchie Nicol, Gordon Hartley, Ned Sparks, Ken Calverly, Roy McKay and Gordie Patterson.

LOCAL FLYERS WIN

Playing at the Sports Centre Monday night the Victoria R.C.A.F. had little trouble in sabotaging a visiting R.C.A.F. quintette from the mainland 58 to 38. Saturday night the local flyers will travel to Vancouver with a 20 point lead to play the second game of the home and home series.

The game was wide open and the checking lax. With Norman Baker potting 22 points, the Victoria entry had the range to the hoop. Basher Jackson trailed Baker with 14 points. Lamb, formerly of Montreal Olters, made his first turnout with the Victoria airmen and potted 10 points. He played against Donnoes in the Dominion final last spring.

Jack Edmondson—paced the losers with 10 points, while Powell got nine. Ralph Pay, former Shores player, dropped in five points.

R.C.A.F. (Vancouver)—Pay 5, Edmondson 10, Siborne 4, Pratt 4, Fields 4, Powell 9, Martlets 2, Duffy and Rees.

R.C.A.F. (Victoria)—Baker 22, Goldsmith 4, McKeachie 3, Phelan, Jackson 14, McKim 1, Stout 4 and Lamb 10.

Sport Future Depends On Travel Conditions

By HUGH FULLERTON
NEW YORK (AP)—Further proof that the immediate future of sports depends on travel conditions comes from the travel through to play a couple of weekend hockey games. . . The saga involves a group of big-hearted pals who saved up gas to drive the players from Toronto to Welland, Ont., icy roads that caused them to miss the local train at Welland, an eventual arrival at Buffalo just in time to make a 4 a.m. train for New York, where they played Sunday night.

Maybe it was worthwhile, you should have heard those 15,500 New York fans when the Rangers finally beat the Leafs.

Then there's coach Everett Shelton's explanation of why Wyoming is here to play basketball while Colorado has to call off its eastern trip: "Colorado applied for transportation and got turned down; we just got on a train and came."

Cleveland and Chicago may have grand circuit harness racing next season along with such smaller newcomers as Allentown and York, Pa., Trenton, N.J. . . A newswoman is planning a movie about Tony Galento's "comeback." Probably it won't be any shorter than the comeback.

KNICKERBOCKER SIGNED
NEW YORK (AP)—Bill Knickerbocker, 31, who spent three years as a reserve infielder for New York Yankees from 1938 to 1940, will be back with the American League champions again next season. Yankees announced Monday they had signed the veteran who was made a free agent last month by Philadelphia Athletics.

Lead League; McKay Sets Scoring Mark

In a rugged, bruising game featured by 14 penalties, including two majors, and one fight, Navy blasted out a 13 to 3 victory over Nanaimo Clippers Monday night to take over first place in the Island Senior Hockey League. The win moved the bluejackets one point ahead of the Army and marked the first time the soldiers have been out of the driver's seat since the league got under way in October.

Navy got a chance to lengthen their lead Friday night when they stacked up against the last-place V.M.D. at 8:30. On the strength of their showing against Nanaimo, the sailors will be heavy favorites to whip the shipyarders.

Another highlight of the one-sided Navy triumph was the establishing of a new individual scoring record by Murdo McKay who rifled five shots past Vern Kneeshaw in the Nanaimo nets.

The former minor league professional was the "hot-shot" of a red-hot Navy club, picking up a couple of assists on other goals for seven scoring points. The former goal-scoring mark was four. Hal Brown, member of the first string Navy forward line and the league's top goal sniper added three more to bring his season total to 19. He is tied with Elmer Kreller of the Army for runner-up in the individual averages, each with 24 points. Bus Algar leads with 25.

RAYNOR BRILLIANT

Navy were full value for their win. Their forwards were working smoothly together and majority of their goals came from set-ups or rebounds right in front of the crease. Goalie Chuck Raynor turned in a brilliant exhibition in the Navy goal. Nanaimo had enough shots at him to win any ordinary hockey game but he kicked and batted out the tough and easy ones with the nonchalance of a polished goalkeeper. Addition of Raynor has boosted the stock of the Navy club a good 50 per cent.

The fight took place in the third period between Chuck Millman, big moose of the Navy defence, and Jack Roach, 200-pound Nanaimo centre. In the first period Millman flattened Roach with a solid bodycheck and the pair continued to rough each other as the game progressed. Battling in the corner after a loose puck the pair started throwing fists with Roach getting five minutes in the cooler and Millman two.

There was another flare up late in the third period when Hal Brown clipped Bruce McKay, Nanaimo defenceman, and opened up a gash over his left eye. McKay was forced to leave the ice but before he had hurtled a few threats at Brown in the penalty bench while brother Dave McKay added a few words. It looked like a serious flare-up would result for a few minutes but the referees separated the players and resumed play with Brown drawing a five-minute major penalty which lasted until the game finished.

After the Navy gained a 1 to 0 lead at 1:04 of the first period on an easy rolling shot by Pettie they always looked like winners. Before the first 20 minutes were completed Brown with two and Hill had given the bluejackets a 4 to 0 margin. McKay with two and Millan added three more for the sailors in the second before Bruce McKay got Nanaimo's first counter. Strongman added another for the Navy, making it 8 to 1 at the end of 40 minutes' play.

In the final period the Navy flashed the red right five more times through McKay 3, Brown and Taylor, while Dave McKay and Willanen added counters for Nanaimo.

Of the 14 penalties Navy drew eight. Larry Kwong and Red McClure made their first local appearances with Nanaimo but neither showed to great advantage. Navy in-

HOCKEY STANDINGS

N.H.L.	W.	L.	D.	Goals	Pts.
Toronto	12	8	1	112	27
Boston	11	7	1	85	27
Detroit	9	6	3	72	23
Chicago	8	13	4	84	18
Canadians	6	12	2	64	14

ISLAND LEAGUE	W.	L.	D.	Goals	Pts.
Navy	7	3	1	78	15
Army	7	4	0	76	14
Nanaimo	4	5	1	61	9
R.C.A.F.	4	5	1	40	9
V.M.D.	4	7	0	31	8

Ray Combs Leading Minor Loop Hurler

NEW YORK (AP)—Rated on effectiveness as shown by earned run averages, Ray Combs of Jersey City was revealed Monday as the leading pitcher of the 1942 International League season by the official records.

The sturdy righthander limited opposing batters to an average of 1.99 earned runs per nine-inning game to top all hurlers who pitched 200 or more innings. Emphasizing the lack of heavy hitting that cost Toronto a place in the playoffs, the records showed three Maple Leafs among the first 10 most effective hurlers.

Strung out behind Combs were Ewell Blackwell, Syracuse 2.02; Charles Barret, Syracuse 2.05; Nick Strincevich, Toronto, 2.40; Hugh East, Jersey City, 2.64; Jack Hallett, Toronto, 2.88; Nate Andrews, Syracuse, 2.93; Al Sherer, Montreal, 2.98; William Brandt, Toronto, 3.08, and Tommy Byrne, Newark, 3.10.

TERRY MOORE TO ENLIST

McALLEN, Tex. (AP)—Terry Moore, captain of St. Louis Cardinals, said Monday he is through with baseball for the duration and that he hopes to get into the army air forces.

Introduced a new defence player in Willie Schmidt, formerly of Saskatoon Quakers. He should hold his berth on the squad with a little more practice.

President Doug Fletcher Monday night announced dates for three additional games in the league schedule. They follow:

Jan. 13, Navy vs. R.C.A.F.
Jan. 20, R.C.A.F. vs. Army.
Feb. 3, Army vs. Navy.

LINE-UPS

Navy—Raynor; Millman and Schmidt; Pettie, Strongman and Brown. Subs: Tomson, Drinville, McArthur, McKay, Hill, Taylor and Allen.

Nanaimo—Kneeshaw; Dave McKay and Bruce McKay; Klein, Mann and Willanen. Subs: Smith, Roach, McClure, Kwong, Sutherland, Wilson and Carr.

Officials—Camrye and Battell.

SUMMARY

First period—1, Navy, Pettie (Strongman) 1:04; 2, Navy, Brown, 13:41; 3, Navy, Hill (McKay) 14:55; 4, Brown (Pettie) 19:08. Penalties: D. McKay, Hill, Strongman, B. McKay.

Second period—5, Navy, Millman, 3:12; 6, Navy, McKay (McArthur) 6:40; 7, Navy, McKay, 9:40; 8, Nanaimo, B. McKay (Carr) 10:19; 9, Navy, Strongman (Pettie) 13:00. Penalties: Schmidt, Carr, Drinville, D. McKay, Hill.

Third period—10, Navy, McKay 11:21; 11, Navy, Brown, 13:50; 12, Navy, McKay (Taylor) 14:15; 13, Navy, Taylor (Allen, McKay) 15:22; 14, Navy, McKay (Tomson) 15:39; 15, Nanaimo, D. McKay, 17:17; 16, Nanaimo, Willanen, 19:30. Penalties: Roach (five minutes), Millman, Sutherland, Allen, Brown (five minutes).

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Toronto Leafs Dominate Scoring

Apps, Carr Leaders

MONTREAL (CP)—Toronto's Syl Apps retains his leadership in the National Hockey League scoring race, official figures showed today, but now he has to share it with teammate Lorne Carr, who was running third a week ago.

Carr picked up five points during the week to Apps' three, and moved into a first-place tie, a point ahead of Boston's Bill Cowley, second a week ago, and Billy Taylor of Toronto, who was tied with Carr last week.

Gaye Stewart made it four out of five among the leaders for Toronto by slipping into fifth place with 25 points, one ahead of Max Bentley of Chicago.

Stewart bagged two goals during the week to retain leadership for goals in the circuit with 18 one ahead of Apps, who also added two since a week ago. Cowley ran his assist column up to 22, for a two-point margin on Taylor in that department.

Penalty leader? Jimmy Orlando of Detroit, of course, with 31 minutes in minors and majors, two 10-minute misconducts and a match penalty.

Leaders follow:	G.	A.	P.	Pen. in Min.
Apps, Toronto	18	16	31	8
Carr, Toronto	16	20	20	0
Cowley, Boston	15	22	22	0
G. Stewart, Toronto	15	10	28	12
M. Bentley, Chicago	14	18	28	0
B. Taylor, Toronto	13	11	26	14
D. Bentley, Chicago	12	10	26	5
Howe, Detroit	12	12	25	4
Pettie, Rangers	10	15	24	18
Hill, Toronto	10	14	24	18
R. Davidson, Toronto	7	17	21	0
O'Connor, Canadiens	7	16	21	0
Brunetteau, Detroit	7	11	20	0
A. Jackson, Boston	6	12	19	4
Pratt, Rangers-Toronto	5	17	23	14
Drillon, Canadiens	5	9	17	7
Lacombe, Detroit	5	14	21	13
Goldup, Toronto-Rang.	5	13	21	0
Bertall, Rangers	5	10	20	2
G. Brown, Detroit	5	15	20	0
Hamil, Chicago	4	9	19	12
Spillars, Boston	4	10	18	0
Blair, Canadiens	4	10	18	0
W. Watson, Rangers	4	14	18	0
Pull, Toronto	4	10	17	14
Gaudin, Canadiens	3	12	16	14
Schultz, Toronto	3	10	16	0
O'Callaghan, Boston	3	11	16	0
Cherish, Toronto	3	7	15	0
Carveth, Detroit	3	7	15	0
Thomas, Chicago	3	10	15	0
March, Chicago	3	12	15	12
R. Carso, Chicago	2	12	15	0
H. Watson, Detroit	2	11	14	4
Hamilton, Toronto	2	11	14	21
E. Jackson, Boston	2	10	14	0
Warwick, Rangers	2	8	13	10
Gross, Detroit	2	8	12	4
Clin, Boston	2	10	12	0
Allen, Chicago	2	8	12	0
Bellet, Chicago	2	11	12	18
Mitch				
Misconduct				

Baseballers Desire Special Meeting On Training Plans

NEW YORK (AP)—Baseball's quandary over spring training seemed likely today to bring about a special meeting of the major leagues early next month.

Pressure for such a session has been growing for several days with Edward G. Barrow of New York Yankees in the American League and William E. Benswanger of Pittsburgh Pirates and Warren Giles of Cincinnati Reds in the National League all urging steps be taken to end the confusion.

Their requests were made to the presidents of the two leagues. Ford Frick in the National and William Harridge in the American, and also to Commissioner Kenesaw M. Landis, who would have the responsibility for calling a joint meeting.

Frick said Monday, after receiving a call from Benswanger and a wire from Giles, he agreed "all clubs should work in unison and it would be a good idea to arrive at a conclusion as soon as possible."

Various baseball leaders said they believed Landis would call them together as soon as a meeting could be arranged. At the present time a joint session is scheduled for the second week in February in New York, but it now appears the need for revising training plans makes this date too late.

MONTREAL (CP)—Rookie Maurice Richard's injury in Sunday night's game against Boston was another severe blow to Canadiens.

Mainland Hockey

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C. (CP)—Vancouver St. Regis are threatening the position of New Westminster Spitfires

Dorothy Dix:

Women In War Work to Cut New Pattern for Home Life

Dear Miss Dix: I am a troubled husband. My wife is driving me crazy. This is the situation: I work from 6 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. six days a week. I am a foreman on a construction gang on a defence project. I am told that I handle men very well, but my wife handles me better. She works in an office from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. When she gets home in the evening she expects me to have the house straightened and dinner ready, and on my day off for me to clean the house and do the washing. In short, I am nothing but a servant in my own home.

I have done her will for a long time to avoid trouble, but now I feel that I must assert myself. We could live nicely on my salary, but she likes the business world and wants a business career. She refuses to let me hire a maid, saying that we should do our own work and save the money. I love my wife and do not want to leave her, but I cannot stand much more of her shirking her duty.

Please—help me, as I cannot figure out how to regain my authority at home.

RENO BOUND.

WOMEN NOW FUTURE IN BUSINESS

Answer: For the past few years the working wife has been a more and more frequent figure in the commercial world, but we have chosen to regard her as an episode rather than a part of a great social revolution. We assumed that when Mary Jane went back to her job after her brief honeymoon, it was because she wanted to help her husband get a start in a business of his own, or to assist him in paying for a little home, and that as soon as their object was accomplished she would revert to type, resign her situation and spend the balance of her life in cooking, washing and baby-tending.

Of course, this did not always happen, for observation shows that when a wife proves that she can bring home the bacon, her husband generally lets her do it. But now, with hundreds of thousands of women going into war work and developing unexpected skills that they never dreamed they possessed, and earning more money than they ever thought to have, the whole picture is changed and we can no longer regard the working wife as transient in the business field. She is a fixture. She has come to stay. And this necessitates a new adjustment between husbands

and wives, and for them to arrive at some definite decision about what each has a right to expect of the other.

In the old days, when the wife had nothing to do but to keep her house, her husband had a perfect right to expect her to assume all the burden of making a home. He had a right to demand that she get up and get him a good breakfast before he started to work, and to have a good, hot dinner smoking on the stove when he got home from his labors, and that she should do her own dishwashing and laundry and cleaning without asking help from him.

COUPLE SHOULD SHARE WORK, EXPENSE

But when the wife works out of the home as long hours as the husband does and comes home just as tired, then, in common justice, he should do at least half of the housework, or pay half of the wages of a servant.

Undoubtedly after the war vast numbers of married women will continue in the jobs that they are so ably filling because they will be needed to replace the men who have been killed and wounded in battle, and because the women, themselves, will prefer factory work to housework and a big pay envelope to no-pay envelope at all.

This will necessitate a new plan of living, because the women who work hard all day in factory or store will not be physically able to come home and do a day's work. Nor will they need to, nor want to. How this problem will be solved, we do not know, but I imagine that most of them will live in large community apartments where there will be cafeterias and restaurants, so that neither the husband nor the wife will have to do housework.

What will happen after the war is any man's guess, but certainly it is going to call for a new adjustment of domestic relationships.

ONE HEARTBREAK EASILY REPAIRED

Dear Miss Dix: I am a girl of 17. For six months I have been going with a married man. He is a boy of 19 and has been married for a year, but has never lived with his wife at any time. He says he does not love her, and since meeting me he has been thinking seriously of getting a divorce. He does not want me to go out with anybody, but

he goes to see his wife and that hurts me.

Miss Dix, what I want to know is should I keep on going with him, or break off our relationship while I still think I could recover?

TROUBLED.

Answer: I should certainly advise you to break off your relationship while it would still be just a pin-prick to your vanity instead of a heartbreak. No good comes to a girl from going with a married man, because she either has to take her happiness at the expense of a sister woman, or else she has to waste her life waiting and longing for a man who is not free to marry her.

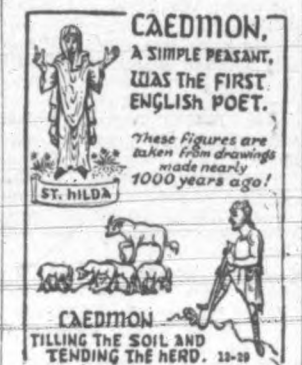
Anyway, a boy who marries at 18 and is tired of his wife before he is 19 is poor matrimonial material. He doesn't know what he wants in a wife, nor have enough backbone to stick to his bargain. Don't worry about not recovering from a heart attack at 17. It is the easiest thing you can do.

Uncle Ray

Olden Writer Said Dream Gave Caedmon Power of Poetry

A man named Caedmon has been called "the first English poet." Perhaps he does not deserve that honor, but certainly he was one of the early poets. After the Anglo-Saxons entered England and adopted the Christian faith, a number of them may have made up poems, but Caedmon is the first whose poems have come down to us.

A writer named Bede gives us most of our knowledge of Caedmon. He was about seven years old when the poet died.



CAEDMON, A SIMPLE PEASANT, WAS THE FIRST ENGLISH POET. These figures are taken from drawings made nearly 1000 years ago!

Here, in short, is the story Bede wrote:

"There was a herdsman named Caedmon, and he took part in feasts which were held now and then. It was the custom for each person to play a harp and sing a song when called on, but this young man would shake his head and say he knew nothing about singing."

"Sometimes he would leave the party when his turn came to take the harp. One day, leaving the rest, he went to a stable and fell asleep."

"During his slumbers, a stranger appeared before him and told him to sing a song. He replied that he knew nothing about singing, but the stranger said, 'You are going to sing for me! Sing a song about the creation of the world.'"

"At once after that," Bede goes on to say, "Caedmon began to pour forth verses in his dream. After he awoke, he recited the verses to other persons. The Abbot Hilda listened to his poems."

In those days it was a widespread custom to explain things

OUR BOARDING HOUSE, with Major Hoople



SPUTT-TT! LISTEN TO THIS NOTE: "KNOWING YOU'RE NUTS ABOUT HORSES, I SELECTED THIS ARTISTIC MASTERPIECE FOR YOUR MANTEL, WITH BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES—WHOOPEE!—JAKE! I'D LIKE TO GET MY HANDS ON THAT SCOUNDREL!"

JAKE HAS ALL THE LUCK!—PROBABLY JUST HAPPENED ALONG DURING A SALOON FIRE!

YOU OUGHT TO BE THANKFUL! HE COULD HAVE SENT YOU ONE OF THE CITY HALL DRINKING FOUNTAINS C.O.D.

LET'S NOT EVEN MENTION IT TO MARTHA!

12-24

Bringing Up Father



HO-HUM!

AM-UM!

12-20

Boots and Her Buddies



OLIVE I WATE TO HAVE TO TELL YOU THIS BUT MR. BUFFINGTON SAYS MISS VAN BIGGER MUST BE DISCHARGED

SAY THAT AGAIN, BOOTS! I AINT HEARD NOthin' SO SWEET IN YEARS

12-20

Wash Tubs



CAPTAIN EASY'S APOLOGIES, COLONEL. HE'S DOWNSTAIRS TO SEE YOU. HE'S CAPTURED AN ENEMY SPY, SIR

I DUNNO, SIR, BUT HE WANTS TO KNOW WHAT HE SHOULD DO WITH HER?

12-20

Mr. and Mrs.



JUST A SHORT RIDE, DRIVER. JUST A FEW BLOCKS

JUST WANT TO GO OVER TO HYACINTH AVENUE AND SIXTEENTH ROAD

12-20

Alley Oop



WHY, OF COURSE I HAVE A RADIO! MY GOODNESS, DON'T YOU REMEMBER THAT BIG CRACKLE WE CARRIED BACK HERE TO MOO?

OH, YEH, DOC SENT US TO FIND RUBBER TO MAKE UP FOR THE SHOOT-AGE CAUSED BY TH' WAR! AN' BY GUM, COOL! I THINK I'VE FOUND SOME, TOO!

12-27

Freckles and His Friends



DON'T LEAVE US NOW, MABEL! YOU'RE OUR LAST SERVANT, AND WE'VE GOT GUESTS

PLEASE STAY, MABEL—THERE'LL BE A MOUNTAIN OF DIRT TO WASH—

12-27

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



TWO POUNDS OF PRUNES... OH, HERE THEY ARE... RIGHT HERE, TH' PRUNES!

WELL, MY MA SAID SHE DIDN'T WANT ANYTHING THATS BY THE STOVE— SHE SAID SHE LIKES TO DO HER OWN COOKIN'!

BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

12-29

By George McManus



MISS VAN BIGGER!!! JUST A MINUTE

WELL, I JUST GOT THE GO SIGN, DEARIE— BUT IT WAS FUN WHILE IT LASTED! I JUST DROPPED IN TO SAY I WON'T SEE SEEING YOU

12-29

By Martin



MISS VAN BIGGER!!! JUST A MINUTE

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12-29

By Roy Crane



YES, SIR, SHE'S A KNOCKOUT, TOO

WELL, CAPTAIN I NOTICE THERE'S LIPSTICK ON YOUR FACE. DOES THAT IMPLY THAT YOU CAPTURE LADY SPIES MERELY BY KISSING THEM?

12-29

By Arthur Folwell and Ellison Hoover



WHAT DID YOU SAY?

I SAID I WISH YOU'D LEARN NOT TO APOLOGIZE TO TAXI-DRIVERS

12-29

By V. T. Hamlin



AN' BY TH' WAY, WHY HAVEN'T YOU SHOWED US TO GIVE US SOME HELP?

THAT'S GONNA HAPTA WAIT A SPELL, MESSIE YOU DON'T KNOW IT, BUT WE'VE GOT A MESS RIGHT HERE THATS GOT TO BE CLEANED UP FIRST!

12-27

By Merrill Blosser



SORRY, MR. LASHLEY, BUT MAGNOLIA IS NOW A WELDER! AND GUESS WHAT I AM

THATS A GOOD IDEA, ZULA!

12-27

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THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

AN AIRPLANE PILOT WHO HAS BEEN FLYING IN THE DARK FOR MORE THAN AN HOUR CAN SEE THE FLARE OF A MATCH 12 MILES AWAY!

A WOODPECKER'S TONGUE IS LONGER THAN ITS HEAD!

WHERE'S ELMER?

ANSWER: New Zealand.

Canadian National Head Reviews Record Year

Upward trend of industrial activity, which began with the outbreak of war and which was so strongly marked in 1941, continued throughout 1942, says R. C. Vaughan, president of Canadian National Railways, in his annual review. New traffic records were created for each month, and the traffic volume for the year exceeded by a wide margin any previous experience.

The following tabulation shows the growth of traffic since the outbreak of war as contrasted with the prewar peak year of 1928:

Year	Freight Traffic in Millions of Ton Miles	Passenger Traffic in Millions of Passenger Miles
1928	32,000	2,650
1941	27,200	1,762
1940	21,532	1,125
1939	17,084	875
1938	23,041	1,541

Traffic figures for 1942 are not final figures, but closely estimated.

Financial results for 1942 reflect the record volume of traffic handled. Operating revenues in 1942 will exceed \$370,000,000. After meeting all operating expenses, including equipment depreciation and appropriate charges for deferred maintenance and renewals, net revenue will exceed \$85,000,000, an all-time record. This net revenue will be sufficient to pay taxes and all other charges, including interest due to the public and to the government and leave a substantial surplus to be paid to the government.

Following tabulation gives a comparison of 1942 indicated revenues with the actual results of the years 1939 to 1942:

	1942 Indicated	1941 Actual	1940 Actual	1939 Actual
Operating Revenues	\$370,000,000	\$304,376,728	\$247,827,224	\$203,820,186
Operating Expenses	285,000,000	237,748,437	202,219,512	182,960,748
Net Revenue	\$85,000,000	\$66,628,291	\$45,607,712	\$20,859,438
Operating Ratio	77.02%	78.12%	81.82%	89.77%

UP 44 PER CENT

It is interesting to note that while the 1942 volume of traffic exceeded that of 1928 by 44 per cent, it was handled with 8.6 per cent less staff, 25.9 per cent fewer freight cars, 14.2 fewer passenger cars and 6 per cent fewer locomotives in 1928. Moreover, the fuel consumption in 1942 was less by 45,000 tons than in 1928.

The improvements to the property and the additions to its railway rolling stock have been confined to improving facilities to handle war traffic. Deliveries of new equipment have been slower than anticipated. During the year 70 new locomotives, 46 passenger, baggage and mail cars and 1,040 freight cars were required, and 33 locomotives and 5,250 freight cars. The experience of the Canadian National in that regard parallels the experience of the railway industry. It has become abundantly clear that the railways are the only agency capable of furnishing land transportation on the scale necessary to support the war effort. So far the railway industry in Canada and the United States has met the ever-increasing demands for transportation, despite increasing difficulties in obtaining railway supplies and equipment. This, however, can only be continued if the railways are afforded priorities which will enable them to secure the necessary supplies and equipment.

One of the special wartime services rendered by the railway is the movement of workers to and from industrial plants in special workmen's trains. These services have been worked out co-operatively, with the industries in cases where other means of transportation have proved incapable of handling the movements. The Canadian National operates seven services of this nature, and each

day transports to and from work 20,000 workers in such special train movements.

WAR CONTRACTS

The railway itself is actively engaged in the manufacture of munitions of war, including guns, gun carriages and several secret devices. Minesweepers and corvettes have been built on the company's shipways, and at the present time cargo vessels are being built for Wartime Merchant Shipping. All told, the company has at the present time over 3,000 employees at work on the production of war supplies and equipment.

In addition, officers and staff members of a number of departments of the Canadian National have been freely loaned to the government to perform war assignments for which their training and experience made them particularly useful.

The Canadian National Steamships have also performed an important war task. Some of our ships have been converted into armed cruisers, and others have been carried on as supply ships moving supplies to the fighting forces. Unfortunately, the work has not been performed without losses and casualties.

The main auxiliary services of the railway, consisting of the Canadian National Express, the Canadian National Telegraphs and the company's chain of hotels, all reflect the increase in business.

Canadian National System comprises 23,561 road miles, and forms the largest railway on the

American continent and in the British Empire. The staff of employees amounts to 101,000 and constitutes a loyal and efficient organization, playing a vital role in the economic and social life of the country.

More than 10,000 Canadian National men and women are now serving in the active forces and in the merchant marine.

The Canadian National transportation machine has proved itself equal to every war demand thus far made upon it, and, concluded Mr. Vaughan, "we look forward to being able to meet the demands of industry and of the forces for the increased transportation service which Canada must have if the maximum production of war equipment and supplies is to be maintained."

Committee to Discuss Transport Problems

Questions of staggering store hours, parking of cars on downtown streets and rerouting of streets to relieve congestion on Douglas Street will be discussed when the City Council transportation committee meets early in January with representatives of transit control.

Alderman W. L. Morgan made the announcement today following the receipt of a letter from the Victoria and District Trade and Labor Council urging the City Council to adopt parallel rather than angle parking on Douglas Street some time ago, and the proposal was rejected. Alderman Morgan, who is chairman of the transportation committee, said the proposal would be reconsidered.

Coming



Jan Cherniavsky, renowned pianist, who with Mischel Cherniavsky, the cellist, is coming to Victoria on Friday, Jan. 8 to give the joint piano and cello recital at the Royal Victoria Theatre in behalf of the Aid to Russia Fund. Their visit is being looked forward to as the musical event of the new year.

TOWN TOPICS

Six motorists were each fined \$25.00 in police court today on parking convictions. One was fined \$5 for having no driver's license.

Luke Johnson, aged 68, dropped dead in a bathroom at the Y.M.C.A. at 9:15 Monday evening. He worked at the V.M.D. and had no known relatives according to police.

For approximately the 20th year in succession, Ald. W. H. Davies and J. H. Beatty, with other helpers, will organize a New Year's Day party at the Aged Men's Home. Tobacco, cigars and refreshments will be distributed and a musical program will be given.

Hartwick Road, 919 Pandora Avenue, is progressing satisfactorily in St. Joseph's Hospital today after having his skull fractured shortly after noon, Monday, when caught between an auto and a street car near the Esquimalt terminus. He was taken to hospital by naval authorities. Esquimalt police are investigating the accident.

Vancouver Alderman Asking Steel Mill

Alderman Jack Price of Vancouver is here today to interview the B.C. government and ask for pressure on Ottawa for establishment of a steel mill on the B.C. coast. He is presenting his case to Hon. E. C. Carson, Minister of Mines. Ald. Price is also interviewing Hon. K. C. MacDonald, Minister of Agriculture, regarding the farm labor shortage in the Fraser Valley.

Hitler Pulls Marshal From North Africa

LONDON (CP)—A well-posted foreign source said today that Nazi Field Marshal Albert Kesselring had been shunted from his air command in the Mediterranean to a post on the Don front in Russia because of the Axis failure to halt the R.A.F. in Libya.

This source said Kesselring's reported removal followed complaints by Marshal Rommel that lack of proper air support had resulted in the rout of his forces by the British 8th Army.

Kesselring was said to have been succeeded by Field Marshal Erwin von Witzelben, who previously had been reported sent to north Africa to direct Vichy forces there before the Allied landings.

The report on Kesselring was the second recent indication that he had fallen into disfavor. The Moscow radio said Nov. 13 Hitler had dismissed him for failure to tip off the Nazi high command on the Allied offensive in north Africa. The Germans have issued no statement of any shifts on the Axis' African command.

This informant said the enemy setup was not clear, but that Witzelben was believed now to command the whole southern European theatre, with Rommel in Libya and Maj. Gen. Walther Nehring in Tunisia as commanders on the two north African fronts.

Because of Italian demands that their home defences be strengthened, this source said, the Germans are expected to send back at least 100,000 of the Italian troops on the Russian front, weakening the Axis in the east but building strength to face the new Allied threat from the south.

The Nazis are not permitting any newspaper mention of Oslo's anti-exterminating campaign this year; last time an enthusiastic editorial entitled "Out with the Rats" became too popular in occupied Norway.

Air Marshal Longmore Says

Steady Pressure Will Drive Axis Out of North Africa

"It will take time, of course, but eventually the Axis will be driven out of north Africa," said Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Murray Longmore, G.C.B., K.C.B., D.S.O., retired inspector-general of the Royal Air Force, in an interview at Government House today.

"The territory around Tunis and Bizerte lends itself to defensive rather than offensive tactics, because of the hilly nature of the country, but I have no doubt that steady pressure will do it. But, you know, strange things do happen in war," he said.

Sir Arthur, one of Britain's best-known air strategists, was in command of the R.A.F. in the Middle East in 1940-41, when Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell first started to drive the Italian army back in the sea-saw Libyan campaign which now finds Marshal Erwin Rommel's forces backtracking toward Tripoli with Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery's men hard on his trail.

Sir Arthur arrived at Government House Monday night after inspecting coast air establishments in company with Air Vice-Marshal L. F. Stevenson of the Pacific Air Command.

Lieutenant-Governor W. C. Woodward arrived from Vancouver in time to have breakfast with the noted air visitor.

"I want to stress that I am here in purely an honorary capacity," said Sir Arthur during the interview. "I crossed the Atlantic as a delegate from Chatham House, headquarters of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, to the Institute of Pacific Relations conference at Tremblant, Quebec.

INSPECTS AIR TRAINING

"Being in Canada, I was asked by the British Air Ministry to inspect the facilities which have been developed here, under the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan."

Asked his views on the Empire air training development scheme in Canada, Sir Arthur said: "It is a whole conception is splendid and a magnificent contribution to the air force."

"I have inspected four or five stations on my way across Canada and I have been greatly im-

Roundhouse in Detroit Swept By Fire

DETROIT (AP)—Locomotive whistles and the sirens of fire engines shrieked in a mad bellow in west Detroit Monday night as a spectacular fire swept part of a Michigan Central Railroad roundhouse.

At least 12 locomotives, some steamed up and ready to puff out into service, were damaged.

With the F.B.I. taking part, an investigation to determine the cause of the fire was being conducted today by the railroad and the fire department. Officials said they had discovered no evidence of sabotage.

Army Trains for Winter



Winter training is under way at Camp Petawawa and the new mechanized toboggans are being widely used to train Canada's soldiers in scouting operations over snow-covered terrain. Here one of the new toboggans "takes a jump" in difficult snow.



A geared chain beneath the 12-foot toboggan bites into the snow and allows speed up to 35 miles an hour. This enables operations through drifts that would block any other form of transport. The mechanism of the toboggan is shown here by a toboggan driver.

OBITUARY

CURRIE—Funeral for Helen Carson Currie will be held Wednesday at 2 from the S. J. Curry & Son's Funeral Home, Rev. J. L. W. McLean officiating. Interment at Royal Oak.

DICKINSON—Rev. George Biddle will conduct funeral service for Frank Mead Dickinson Wednesday at 2 in Sands Mortuary. Interment at Royal Oak.

ROONEY—Funeral of Joseph Rooney was held Monday in Thomson Funeral Home, Rev. T. G. Griffiths officiating. Pallbearers were: William Cook, A. Masters, S. Galbraith, D. McClure, W. E. Farmer and Major P. F. Howden. Interment at Royal Oak.

MCDOWELL—Rev. H. A. McLeod conducted funeral service for Mrs. Mary McDowell Monday in McCall Bros' Funeral Chapel. Pallbearers were: A. Dewdney, A. Wilson, A. Esler, W. L. King, L. Buchan and A. Weatherill. Interment at Colwood.

GUSTAFSON—Rev. James Hood will conduct funeral services for Gustaf Adolph Gustafson Thursday morning at 10:30, from the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Interment at Ross Bay.

PLAXTON—Rev. E. G. Burgess-Brown conducted funeral service for Mrs. Hattie Plaxton Monday in Haywards' B.C. Funeral Chapel. Pallbearers were: Frank Burton, Charles Farrant, M. McCarthy, Gregory Allen, Gordon A. Cameron and George Mann. Interment at Royal Oak.

MORTON—Robert Morton, 66, 1523 Amphion, died Monday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital. He was born at Galashiels, Scotland, and came to Victoria 29 years ago from the U.S. He served with the Royal Engineers in the Boer War, and was manager of the Victoria Machinery Depot during the Great War. His wife died seven years ago. Surviving are his daughter, Mrs. J. D. Puckey, Amphion St.; one son, Donald S. of Vancouver, and two grandchildren. The funeral will be conducted Wednesday morning at 11 from S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home.

SING—The death occurred of Low Sing, 53, 5149 Figgard, Friday, at Royal Jubilee Hospital. Born in China, he had lived in Victoria 30 years. He leaves a wife in China. Rev. M. F. Leung will conduct funeral service Wednesday afternoon at 1 from the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Interment in the Chinese Cemetery.

GOVE—Mrs. R. Grant, 1221 Johnson Street, learned this morning of the death of her father, William Gove, in Arbroath, Scotland. Mr. Gove leaves two daughters in Victoria, Mrs. Grant and Mrs. A. C. Warwick, 122 Clarence Street, and one daughter, Mrs. A. Copen, in Vancouver.

GREASLEY—Mrs. Nora Greasley, 53, died here Monday. Born in Lancashire, Eng., she had lived in Victoria 22 years. She leaves her brother, J. P. Land, 2578 Cook, with whom she lived; one sister, Mrs. C. C. Thomas, Vancouver; one sister-in-law, Mrs. E. Meacher, Vancouver; two nieces and two nephews. Canon F. A. Chadwick will conduct funeral service Wednesday at 3:30 from Sands Mortuary. Interment at Colwood.

Allies at Buna Drive Wedge Deeper

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS. Australia (CP)—Allied troops have deepened their wedge in the Japanese lines in the Buna area of New Guinea despite desperate enemy attempts to smash the trap with a long naval shelling and a futile counterattack, Allied headquarters announced today.

Japanese warcraft, probably submarines, sent shells into the Allied lines at Buna village for five hours Monday, an Allied communique reported, in the first naval shelling by the enemy in the New Guinea war. The shelling caused no damage.

The bombardment began at midnight, and at the same time, in the Buna airstrip sector to the right, Japanese troops launched a counterattack, but were beaten back by Australian and U.S. forces in a fierce engagement.

Quake at San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Earth shocks were reported from widely scattered parts of San Francisco at 11:18 a.m., P.D.T., today. No reports of damage had come in up to early afternoon.

Residents atop Nob Hill near the Palace Hotel reported they could feel a slight yawning in apartment houses, lasting several seconds.

In Berkeley, Dr. Perry Byerly, University of California seismologist, reported his instruments recorded a "sharp but not severe shock," centred probably not more than 15 miles distant and continuing for about three minutes.

Other cities around San Francisco Bay also felt the tremor,

Manslaughter Verdict in Death Of Saanich Child

A coroner's jury at Sands Mortuary today, investigating the death of four-year-old Sidney Auringer, brought in a verdict of manslaughter. The child died 4:30 Thursday afternoon on East Saanich Road, near Royal Oak, after being struck by a car driven by Edward Bull. Dr. E. C. Hart, coroner, directed the inquest.

Dr. Edward Thorpe, interne at Jubilee Hospital, said death was due to head injuries.

Cpl. Cecil Pearce of the Saanich police said the child had deep cuts over both eyes and a gash in the forehead three inches long and half an inch deep. On the back of the head, he said, there was a long deep laceration and the scalp was almost removed.

Six-year-old Alvin Auringer, brother of the deceased, who was with him at the time of the accident, said they were both on the side of the road walking in the gravel off the travel portion. The car that hit Sidney was coming in the opposite direction, he said.

ON SIDE OF ROAD

Pte. E. G. Parrell, who was riding in an auto directly behind the car which hit the child, testified the two children were walking on the side of the road and as the car in front caught up with the pair one of the boys disappeared from view under the car. Pte. Parrell said the light was good but the car driven by Bull seemed to be weaving. His evidence was corroborated by Lt. Cmdr. Robert Besant, driver of the car in which Pte. Parrell was a passenger.

Dr. J. P. Vye examined Bull at the Saanich Municipal Hall an hour after the accident occurred and said he ascertained that Bull had been up all the night before working on a graveyard shift and then shopping and visiting during the day. He said Bull told him he had taken two drinks but added that he appeared tired and not under the influence of liquor.

"Was he in fit condition to drive?" asked Dr. Hart.

"I would not say that he was not in fit condition to drive," Dr. Vye replied.

Constable Victor Smith testified that East Saanich Road, at the scene of the accident, was 21 feet 10 inches wide and there was a four-foot gravel edge where the boys were walking.

SAW CAR SWERVE

PO. John Smith, R.A.F., passenger in a car traveling in the opposite direction, said he saw Bull's car swerve and the body fall under it.

LAC. John Keegan, R.A.F., and LAC. N. Alcock, R.A.F., who rushed back to Bull's car when he pulled to the side of the road, said Bull seemed dazed and told them he did not know anything about it.

"I told him to come back to the accident," Keegan said, "and he started to back his car up. He ran into the ditch twice so I told him to leave the car and we walked back."

Norman Bell and Harry Brewster said they saw the children before the accident and both testified that due to their smallness and the dark clothing they were wearing they were extremely difficult to notice. Bell said they seemed to blend with the shrubbery at the side of the road.

Members of the jury were: William H. West (foreman); Robert Greives, Hugh Francis, Douglas Fletcher, Arthur Cooper and Louis Holker.

Governor to Receive Guests New Year's Day

The traditional New Year's Day reception of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor will be held at Government House New Year's Day between 11 and 12:30 in the afternoon.

There will be no reception at the City Hall.

Riot in Pretoria

PRETORIA, Union of South Africa (CP)—Seven natives were fatally shot and a white soldier stabbed to death in a riot at a compound near Pretoria Monday night.

The riot followed a meeting of natives employed by the Pretoria municipality, who demanded immediate payment of higher wages.

Three armored cars and a detachment of police were summoned after police had failed to quell the disturbance with tear gas bombs. A soldier stabbed by natives died en route to a hospital. The troops opened fire and 50 natives were wounded in addition to the seven killed. Six soldiers were slightly injured. Order was restored by midnight.

Quick-freezing of green vegetables preserves 50 per cent more vitamin C than canning.

Which Is Your Instrument?

Visitors are always surprised at the variety of Band and Orchestra Instruments to be seen at Fletcher's. Whether you want a new one, a used one or wish to exchange the one you have, come in and talk to

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Relatives of Benes Interned By Nazis

BERNE (AP)—The Neue Zürcher Zeitung said today that relatives of Dr. Edouard Benes, former President of Czechoslovakia, were interned by the Nazis, with the intimation that further measures might be taken against them in reprisal for Benes' acts as president of the Czech government in London.

Similar measures were taken against the relatives of Frantisek Nemecek, former minister of commerce and now welfare minister in the Czech government, the newspaper said.

It quoted Der Neue Tag of Prague as saying the families and relatives of these men were allowed full freedom by the Reich for three-and-one-half years, but that they were interned because of the actions in London of the "emigrant clique."

Seattle Has Storm

SEATTLE (AP)—Post-Christmas storm brought wind, lightning and a deluge of rain to the Puget Sound area Monday.

Weather bureau reported 1.07 inch of rain fell Sunday in Seattle, borne by a wind that reached a peak velocity of 35 miles an hour. Lightning Monday night struck a Seattle residence, shattering the meter box.

Small craft warnings on Washington State's inland waters gave way to storm warnings today, when the weather bureau here forecast winds of strong to gale forces.

(Canadian censors thinking they are fooling the Japs forbid mention of Victoria's daily weather. Seven days must elapse before a report may be made of unusual weather conditions already publicized elsewhere.)

Officers and members of Island Temple No. 8, Pythian Sisters, met recently. Each member received a gaily decorated gift from a tree bright with lights and tinsel ornaments. Carols were sung. A table decorated with Christmas favors and laden with good things was the result of the "poiluque supper." During the meeting presided over by Mrs. Lorna Evans, annual reports were received from all committees. Arrangements were made for a joint installation with the Knights of Pythias Far West Lodge to be held Jan. 14.

Quicksilver, the common name for mercury, can be tracked back to the ancient Greeks, who called it "living silver" or "water silver," according to whether it was found in a native state or purified from the ore.

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War Aiding Better Health Among Indians

By MARGARET ECKER
OTTAWA (CP)—Canada's Indians, women and men, are healthier, wealthier and even wiser—than when Hitler moved into Poland and the war has had something to do with it, Indian Affairs branch spokesmen said, quoting figures to prove their point.

Dr. H. W. MacGill, director of the branch, said the war has put money into the Indians' pockets. More Indians than ever before are working and putting the cash they earn into proper food and clothing for their families. Up to the end of October, 1,610 Indians had enlisted in the armed services and their wives and children are benefiting from dependent allowances.

"More than 50 per cent of able-bodied Indian men and women are employed in war industries, working on farms or in the services," said R. A. Hoey, superintendent of welfare and training. Far fewer require government relief than in 1937 when the depression among Indians was at its peak. In 1937, more than \$1,055,000 was spent on direct unemployment relief for the Indians of Canada; in 1941, only \$707,000 was needed.

MORE SANITARIA

Dr. P. E. Moore, acting superintendent of Indian Medical Services, and his associates have been battling tuberculosis, the eye disease trachoma, and malnutrition, and Dr. Moore said modern medicine is delivering knockout blows to the diseases which have been depleting the native population.

In 1941 tuberculosis increased among Canada's white population but in the same year the incidence of tuberculosis dropped 10 per cent among Indians. Increased sanitarium accommodation was credited with bringing about this change, and more than 800 Indians now are receiving sanitarium treatment.

Sulphamillidase has saved the sight of hundreds of Indians whose eyes were misted by infectious trachoma. Some cases have been rescued from almost complete blindness. "Trachoma finds ripe soil in the eyes of Indians suffering nutritional deficiencies," said Dr. Moore.

Dr. J. J. Wall, one of the continent's specialists in treatment of trachoma, now on sick leave from the department, did much of the organization work in combating the disease. The Indians are willing and grateful patients. When their eyes show signs of infection they rush to hospital to ask for "eye pills."

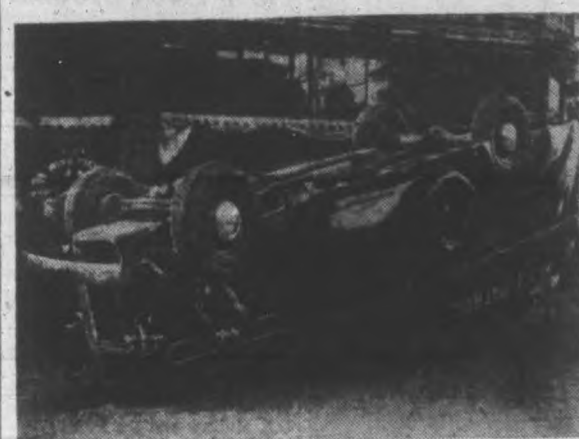
At one time, when Indians had red eyes, white people shrugged and attributed it to smoky fires in teepees. But doctors now know this is the first symptom of trachoma which has gripped Indians of the western plains, British Columbia and some parts of Ontario. It is also a sign of serious Vitamin B-complex deficiency.

NUTRITION PROBLEM

Dr. Moore's department is working hard on the malnutrition problem. Indians are encouraged to use the new "Canada Approved" Vitamin B white flour, and in many Indian schools a specially-developed carrot biscuit is given to children to supply them with adequate quantities of Vitamin A.

"In spite of all their ills, our 120,000 Indians are increasing at the rate of 1,000 a year," the doctor said.

Police Patrol Overtakes



Constables Stanley Holmes and Richard Berry miraculously escaped injury at 2:30 Monday afternoon when the city police patrol, above, overtook on a rush call to Fort Street to take a sick man to hospital. The patrol had been called from Victoria West by radio and was speeding south on Government with its siren wailing, according to police, when a car driven by G. E. Gillam, Wilkinson Road, cut in front of the patrol at the Figgard intersection. The patrol swerved to the right curb to miss the car and then to the left in an effort to escape collision with a Swift Canadian truck double-parked just south of the intersection. The sudden change in direction was too much for the patrol and it started to turn over as it hit the back of the Swift truck, causing \$150 damage to the commercial auto. Neither of the constables was scratched although Berry was unconscious for about two minutes after the collision.

List Rules to Curb Heavy Army Boozers

WASHINGTON—Help the alcoholic to stop drinking is the appeal addressed to company officers and noncommissioned officers by editors of the Military Surgeon, official journal published here by the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States.

To make reliable soldiers of the chronic alcoholic or periodical drunkard, the editors say, officers' co-operation is vitally necessary. They recommend the following simple rules formulated by Lt.-Col. S. Alan Challman and Major Merrill Moore of the Army Medical Corps.

1. Remember that the heavy drinker lacks self-confidence, no matter how cleverly he hides his feelings of inferiority. He needs encouragement, with criticism presented in as friendly a way as possible. Show confidence in him and make him feel part of a team.

2. Explain to him that alcohol is poison to him, as strawberries or lobsters may be poison to somebody else. The alcoholic should never take even one drink. Substitutes should be encouraged and there is no reason for his friends riding him if he orders milk.

3. Gain the co-operation of non-commissioned officers. A junior officer should get these ideas across to the sergeant. Even one heavy drinker in a company can cause a lot of damage.

4. Encourage other personal satisfactions. The alcoholic has never learned how to relax without liquor. Encourage some sport or hobby at which he can at least hold his own, or let him feel there is one thing he can do better than somebody else, whether it is doing the manual of arms, playing checkers or pitching horseshoes. Remember that he has probably always been poor at games and a poor mixer, with men or women, due to his basic sense of inferiority.

If all these measures fail and the soldier drinks anyway—well, you can at least give him some advice. Eat before drinking, sip long drinks instead of gulping concentrated cocktails, never drink straight or from a bottle.

The medical officers making these suggestions do not expect any miracles but they say the above principles are the best way

Where to Go Tonight

(As Advertised)

ATLAS—"The Talk of the Town" with Cary Grant.
CADET—"Roxie Hart" with Ginger Rogers.

CAPITOL—"Road to Morocco" with Bob Hope.
DOMINION—"Here We Go Again" with Fibber McGee and Molly.

OAK BAY AND PLAZA—Abbot and Costello in "Who Done It?"
RIO—"Wyoming" with Wallace Beery.

YORK—"The Fleet's In" with Dorothy Lamour.

YORK THEATRE

Jimmy Dorsey and his orchestra, one of the country's leading dance and recording aggregations, make their Hollywood debut in the new Paramount comedy with music, "The Fleet's In," which is now at the York Theatre, starring Dorothy Lamour, William Holden, Eddie Bracken, with a host of top-flight supporting entertainers. Nine song hits are featured.

ATLAS THEATRE

Ronald Colman, one of the highest salaried stars in motion pictures and no sharing top honors with Cary Grant and Jean Arthur at the Atlas Theatre in Columbia, arrived in the United States in 1920 with only \$37 in cash and three clean collars.

DOMINION THEATRE

Lovely Ginny Simms, noted for her golden voice and for her clever portrayals in such film successes as "Playmates," is seen in a romantic lead in RKO Radio's "Here We Go Again," a swift-action comedy starring Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy and Fibber McGee and Molly, and now at the Dominion Theatre.

Woman Telegrapher 82

MEAFORD, Ont. (CP)—Believed to be one of Canada's oldest women telegraphers, Mrs. Wm. Cook of Meaford Monday celebrated her 82nd birthday. She was in charge of the Meaford telegraph office at the age of 12. Her father operated the first telegraph system in Meaford.

for junior officers to handle these administrative problems. "The proper management of these problems," they conclude, "will reflect the junior officer's efficiency and aid in the conservation of trained manpower."

Capitol to Hold Midnight Show

Frances Langford doesn't feel a bit like she's acting a part in a motion picture when she sings George M. Cohan's "Over There," in Warner Bros. "Yankee Doodle Dandy," which will be the feature at the Capitol Theatre's New Year's Eve frolic.

The reason is logical. Frances has been doing more than her share of singing in soldier and sailor camp shows throughout the west. And in "Yankee Doodle Dandy" she sings the famous Cohan war song in a scene representing Camp Merritt, in 1917, to an all-soldier audience.

"It's the first chance I've ever had at a song of its sort," Miss Langford says. "I'm so happy to get away from hot lick things and ballads. This is bigger and more important."

'Thunder Birds' Coming to Dominion

A strong cast is seen in 20th Century-Fox's Technicolor "Thunder Birds," soldiers of the air, which comes Friday to the Dominion Theatre. Gene Tierney is starred, while Preston Foster and John Sutton head a featured list that includes Jack Holt, Dame May Whitty, George Barbier, Richard Haydn and Reginald Denny. John Gunther delivers a spectacular prologue and epilogue to the film.

CAPITOL THEATRE
Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour, in their newest comedy adventure with music, Paramount's "Road to Morocco," are at the Capitol Theatre.

This time the boys get stranded on the coast of Morocco. Miss Lamour, as the Princess Shalmar, buys Bob from Bing for \$200. She's engaged to Sheikh Anthony Quinn but, as it is decreed in the stars that her first husband is to die violently, Bob is elected to be hubby number one. The plot goes on from there, and what happens makes "Road to Morocco" number one on the laugh parade.

CADET THEATRE

Romance in "Roxie Hart," the exciting new 20th Century-Fox comedy now at the Cadet Theatre, is between Ginger Rogers and George Montgomery. Ginger, in the title role, portrays a good little girl who could do no wrong—but how she tries!

RIO THEATRE

Wallace Beery falls in love with a lady blacksmith in the spectacular new outdoor drama, "Wyoming," now on the Rio screen. With comic Marjorie Main as the feminine horsehooper, the team is described as the most uproarious since the memorable "Min and Bill."

OAK BAY AND PLAZA

When Louise Albritton arrived on the set of the Bud Abbott-Lou Costello comedy, "Who Done It?" at Universal to begin the fifth role of her brief but meteoric film career, she took one look at the script and all but swooned. Louise has an important part in the film which is now at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres.

"No, no, it can't be!" wailed the lovely starlet as she noted that her character name was to be Jane Little. "This is the fifth role I've played, and the fourth time I've been given a girl named Jane."

But Louise was too late. Director Erle C. Kenton already

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Knowles had referred to her as

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